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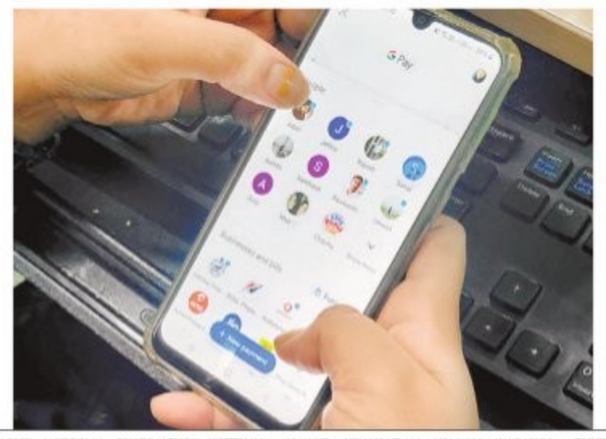

G-PAY NOT PAYMENT SYSTEM OPERATOR: RBI

New Delhi: RBI has told the Delhi High Court that digital wallet platform Google Pay is a third-party app provider and does not operate any payment systems. Therefore, its operations are not in violation of the Payment and Settlement System Act, 2007, the central bank said. The RBI's submissions came in response to PIL alleging that the app was facilitating financial transactions without requisite authorisation.

Modi spoke of LAC situation after June 15 pushback: PMO

Raps spin-doctoring of address at all-party meet; Oppn claims it's obfuscation of truth

MANISH ANAND, PUSHKAR BANAKAR & MAYANK SINGH @New Delhi

SEEKING to put a lid over the controversy sparked by Prime Minister Narendra Modi's statement at the all-party meeting, the Prime Minister's Office on Saturday said "attempts are being made in some quarters to give a mischievous interpretation" to his remarks.

At the meeting on Friday, Modi said "neither is anyone inside our territory nor is any of our post captured," adding that "20 of our brave soldiers made the supreme sacrifice for the nation in Ladakh."

This was interpreted in many circles, political and otherwise, that Modi was denying any transgression and that he had ceded India's land to the Chinese by recognising the status quo, as it is widely believed that Chinese troops are still occupying Indian territory.

"What is Indian territory is clear from the map of India. This Government is strongly and resolutely committed to that," the PMO stated.

Maintaining India's position that it was the Chinese who had crossed the Line of Actual Control (LAC), the PMO said there was an "attempted transgression" in the Galwan Valley by the Chinese in order to erect structures on June 15. This was foiled by the Indian Army, which also gave a "befitting lesson" to the Chinese troops.

IAF chief Rakesh Kumar Singh Bhadauria reviews the Combined Graduation Parade in Hyderabad on Saturday | PTI

"As regards transgression of LAC, it was clearly stated that the violence on June 15 arose because the Chinese side was seeking to erect structures just across the LAC and refused to desist from such actions," the PMO stated.

But the Chinese designs were nixed because of the "sacrifices of the soldiers", it said. The statement said the PM's "observations that there was no Chinese presence on our side of the LAC pertained to the situation as a consequence of the bravery of our armed forces."

Reacting to the clarification, the Congress said, "The PMO's statement is clearly a lame attempt to obfuscate the truth... Is Galwan Valley not part of Indian territory? Why is the government not coming forward and strongly rebutting the Chinese claim?" CONTINUED ON: P9

MEA tears into China narrative on violence

PUSHKAR BANAKAR @New Delhi

INDIA on Saturday issued a point-by-point rebuttal to the Chinese claim made earlier in the day on the Galwan Valley and allegations that it was the Indian side that triggered the violent face-off along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) on June 15. "The position with regard to the Galwan Valley area has been historically clear. Attempts by the Chinese side to now advance exaggerated and untenable claims with regard to the LAC there are not acceptable. They are not in accordance with China's own position in the past," Ministry of External Affairs spokesperson Anurag Srivastava said.

In a series of tweets in the morning, Chinese foreign ministry spokesperson Zhao Lijian had claimed that the Galwan Valley is located on the Chinese side of the LAC in the Western section of the Sino-Indian boundary. "For many years, the Chinese border troops have been patrolling and on duty in this region," he claimed.

Rejecting his allegations, Srivastava said Indian troops are fully familiar with the alignment of the LAC in all sectors, including Galwan Valley.

COVID WAR

14,516 India's Covid-19 positive cases record single-day spike on Saturday

375 Deaths in a day; 12,948 fatalities in total

3,95,048 Total number of cases in the country

For the 9th day in a row, cases swell by over 10,000

KARNATAKA BATTLE

416 Test positive on Saturday

9 DEATHS ON SATURDAY

TOTAL CASES **8,697**

132 Total deaths

5,391 Total recoveries so far

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Boycott may jack up cost of goods by 40%, warn MSMEs

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

AMID demands for a nationwide boycott of Chinese products in the wake of the killing of 20 Indian soldiers on the Ladakh border, the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) sector has warned that it may jack up the cost of many products by as much as 40 per cent, delaying recovery from the recession the economy has slipped into.

Industry bodies such as the Federation of Indian Micro and Small & Medium Enterprises, the SME Chamber of India and the All India Manufacturers Organisation suggested that the government should think of a long term plan to shift dependency on China for imports. They advised the Centre not to take decisions based on public sentiment.

"This is a serious matter and has to be done rationally and smartly with proper strategy. The import cost of many products will immediately shoot up if we have no alternative plans," FISME president Animesh Saxena said, adding India must make domestic industry more competitive.

The small industries sector has for long been seeking steps to reduce India's dependency on China. "Currently Chinese products dominate the market in many segments like toys. Our domestic toy making industry is slowly being destroyed. Over 80% of toys are now being imported, 75% of which are from China," said Ramesh Gupta, a toy shop wholesaler at Jhandewalan in New Delhi.

Similarly, for the pharma sector, India imports two-thirds of its active ingredients or key ingredients of drugs from China.

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BORDER TENSION

State's yoga instructors in China on tenterhooks

K SHIVA KUMAR @Mysuru

THEY crossed the borders to teach yoga to the people of China and other neighbouring countries and also to find a better living for themselves. But as International Yoga Day dawns, what's weighing heavily on the minds of the yoga instructors from Mysuru and other parts of the state is the ongoing border tensions between India and China.

Although there is no hostile atmosphere in China, the Indian community there is anxious and is closely tracking the developments. A yoga instructor working in China told *The New Sunday-Express* that they have not experienced any sort of hostility or public anger towards them, given the prevailing situation.

"We are tracking the developments on the internet, but we don't chat or discuss anything related to the border flare-up on the phone. But some of us friends did meet and discuss the issue. We are hopeful that the Indian consulate will come to our rescue or alert us if the things go out of control", said Ramu (name changed), who hails from Mysuru and is currently based in Shanghai.

For now, the yoga instructors are busy making preparations for International Yoga Day, to be held in all institutes with permission from the local authorities while maintaining social distance. "But if a war-like situation arises, we will fly back to India", he said. P7

SOCIAL FENCING

Karnataka's only community forest borders Kumta village

Lush greenery surrounds Halakar village in Kumta taluk | PICS BY: D HEMANTH

ARUNKUMAR HURALIMATH @Kumta

IF you dare disturb a leaf or a blade of grass or take a small twig from this forest, you will face the wrath of the villagers guarding it.

Halkar, a small village near Kumta town of Uttara Kannada district, is surrounded by the forest. The villagers manage the forest. The community generates income from the designated forest from its products like timber and non-timber. At the same time they conserve the ecosystem, soil, stream and other things in the forest. After realising the importance of locals in protecting the forest, the forest department supported it.

Interestingly, when compared to other forest patches which are protected by the forest department, Halkar forest is very thick and green. There are varieties of trees from firewood to precious wood to fruits in the forest. The Village Forest Panchayat (VFP) of Halkar, comprising nine elected members from different castes apart from four nominated women members, fiercely guards the forest.

Though the revenue land of the village comes under Holanagadde Gram Panchayat limits, the 219 acres of forest comes under VFP.

Shantaram B Harikantra, VFP secretary, says, "In 1924, the British Government made the VFP and gave power to the villagers to manage and conserve the forest. A British colonel visited Uttara Kannada and he saw the villagers fetching fodder for their livestock and collecting firewood. At the same time, he also saw that the villagers had taken the responsibility of protecting the same forest. He recommended an act to invest powers in the VFP. Under the Indian Forest Act, 165 VFPs were formed in Uttara Kannada district. Of these, 13 are in Kumta taluk. They have been following the Bombay Forest Act till date."

But in the 1980s the forest department overruled it and closed all VFPs. Questioning the government decision, Halkar and Murur VFPs went to court, and after a 10-year-legal battle, villagers were successful in getting back their powers over the forests. In the recent years, Murur VFP failed to operate successfully and the forest department is taking care of their forest. But Halkar VFP has been successfully managing, maintaining and conserving the forest.

Only authenticated villagers can access the forest to get fodder. The VFP will provide firewood to the villagers annually by charging a minimum amount. Old trees, cashew, mango and other fruits are auctioned every year. There is a rule that only persons from that village can participate in the tender. The one who bags the contract can supply to other village and towns. To access the forest, villagers have to obtain a pass from the panchayat by paying Rs 30 annual fee.

The annual fee and the auction of forest byproducts are the main revenue source to the panchayat and the money is deposited in a bank.

The villagers have made big trenches around the 219 acres of forest so that thieves cannot cut and carry trees. The trenches also act as rainwater conservation units. Water can be seen in the trenches till February.

Nagappa Harikantra, a villager, said, "Compared to other villages who live on the fringes of the forest, we are happy to be part of the forest."

To study Halkar's success story, researchers and scholars from various states in the country and also from Denmark and Japan visited the village.

> Village Forest Panchayat of Halakar has been maintaining the forest well without taking help from the forest department. The villagers are so aggressive that they have not allowed any neighbouring villagers to cut even a small tree in the forest. It is like social fencing to the forest and no encroachment has been reported in that forest area. They make their own trenches which protect the forest and also serve as rainwater harvesting units
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> —Praveen Basarur, Assistant Conservator of Forests, Kumta

KEEPING THE TREES SAFE

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Villagers cleaning the forest path in Halakar

Compassion unlimited: Rescuing and rehabilitating animals is his motto

Prasanna Kumar A takes care of a baby monkey that was rescued

MEERA BHARDWAJ @Bengaluru

WHILE the pandemic lockdown, which was gradually lifted only days ago, entrapped citizens with its share of inconveniences, its troubling effects didn't spare the animal kingdom either. As Bengaluru shut down, several hapless creatures injured or stuck in containment zones – including black kites, bonnet macaques, turtles, spectacled cobras, rat snakes, and peacocks – had to be rescued, and Prasanna Kumar A was their best hope!

Unflinchingly, Prasanna, honorary wildlife warden of Bengaluru Urban, BBMP Wildlife Rescue Team, and his team comprising drivers Nayaz or Manjunath and a volunteer closest to the call location, have rescued many animals from sealed-off areas in the city.

These coronavirus-inflicted circumstances have been but a routine for Prasanna. Joining the BBMP Wildlife Rescue Team in 2009, he has committed over a decade of his life as a saviour of birds, mammals, reptiles, and even insects.

Hailing from a poor farmer's family in Nelamangala who were once hunter- gatherers, Prasanna emerged at the forefront of wildlife rescue to protect the varied urban species of Bengaluru City.

His tryst with animals began at a very young age, when he would observe veterinarians at an animal hospital tending and caring for wildlife. When he was 14, he was cleaning cages and maintaining the hospital premises. In 2008, he officially joined as an animal keeper, and for three years, he learnt everything about various endemic birds and animals.

"It was six years of observation at the veterinary hospital where I learnt everything, and my keen interest led me to rescue wild animals. My first case was in 2008, when I rescued a Russel's viper. Since then, I have rescued snakes, turtles, civets, birds, dancing bears and leopards, among others," says Prasanna.

Every day, Prasanna, supported by a volunteer, rescues five-six animals, comprising two-three snakes, two birds and a mammal. And the lockdown was no different.

Since March 24, 200 wild animals have been rescued in the city. The team's work has taken them well beyond the 198 wards under BBMP, to Kaggalipura, Tavarekere and Devanahalli.

Birds getting stuck in eucalyptus, gulmohar and rain trees are pretty common, and if people inform the BBMP, they are rescued, treated and released. After documenting such incidents for a year, volunteers realised that the birds got stuck in trees mainly because of Chinese manja (abrasive thread used to fly kites). Finally, conservationists submitted a memorandum to the State Government for banning the use of manja, which resulted in a great reduction of bird deaths in the city.

In 2017, Prasanna was appointed honorary wildlife warden of Bengaluru Rural, and after two years, he became the warden for Bengaluru Urban. Recognition and laurels came his way, but Prasanna says it was the citizens' recognition of his service and their awareness about saving wildlife that paved the way for the conservation of the city's wildlife.

Presently, there is more public involvement, with every second ward having about one-two volunteers, who can easily reach any rescue spot within an hour. The BBMP team with 150 volunteers has won the National Sparrow Award in 2015 (at the Corporation level) for their commendable work.

Despite growing jowar, groundnut, sunflower and vegetables on a 4.5-acre farm in Kengeri, Prasanna has devoted much of his time to his passion for wildlife rescue across different parts of the city, as well as rural areas. "'Rescue, treatment and rehabilitation' has been my motto since I started," he says.

THRILLS AND RISKS OF RESCUE

There have been some extraordinary experiences in Prasanna's life. He was once called to rescue two jungle cats at a farm on Mysuru Road at midnight, and without any equipment he had to rescue them from a 15-foot deep sump. After their rescue, when they were being taken for release, one of them attacked Prasanna, however, it was contained

BBMP Wildlife Rescue Helpline Number
9902794711

Business school, forest department in zone of contention

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

THE construction works of the Indian Institute of Management- Bengaluru (IIMB) near the eco sensitive zone of the Bannerghatta National Park (BNP) has been a cause for worry for forest officials and conservationists.

Despite the BNP ground staffers objecting to the works, it is said the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests gave permission (PCCF) just before he retired.

Forest officials point out that the construction works will hamper Hebbhalla stream—the lifeline of the forest patch. In the absence of maintaining a buffer zone, BNP staffers are looking at all means to save this prime lung space, closest to Bengaluru, which houses a healthy population of elephants, leopards and now a tiger.

IIMB is undertaking construction of their second campus in Mahanthalingapura village, Jigani hobli. The new landscape, spread across 6,000 sqmt, falls within 10km of the eco sensitive zone and does not require the Centre's clearance, said the NOC issued by the retired PCCF, in 2018, a copy of which is with *TNSE*.

"We had rejected the proposal as the Hebbhalla stream would be affected. We know what works IIMB is undertaking, but they have not shared any details with us. The construction is at a 40 degree elevation and this will hamper the natural ecology," said S M Prashanth, deputy conservator of forests, BNP.

Conservationists say that the area in contention is a part of the crucial elephant corridor. "The government should take a look and stop the construction," they said.

IIMB Project Manager M S Vishwanath said: "About 110 acres were given to IIMB on lease by the State government for our second campus. All clearances from the forest department have been obtained before commencing construction. We are constructing a building that will have three classrooms of different sizes, a few discussion rooms and an 84-room hostel with kitchen and dining facility. The BMRDA has approved the project."

He added: "The construction area is 1.84 acres (built-up area) which is less than 2% of the total land allotted. All norms have been followed. Additional construction over a period of time will be taken up and we will follow the buffer zone norms. The allotted land had very few trees."

DISCHARGING WASTE

Water Board, KSPCB to issue spot notices

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

A SPECIAL team constituted to crack down on buildings in Bengaluru that discharge their waste water into the storm water drains (SWD) or lakes has so far identified 338 violators. As the violators are yet to get a notice, the team has now decided to issue notices on the spot to those who are yet to connect their sewage pipelines with the common sewer network running across the city.

The team comprising staffers from both the Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) and the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) conducted door-to-door searches across the city over the past few months.

"Of the 338 violators identified so far, notices have been issued to 10 of them. This is a warning notice directing them to connect their sewage pipeline to the BWSSB sewage network," said BWSSB engineer-in-chief Kemparamaiah. "The state has given the team a two-month deadline to complete its checks throughout Bengaluru," he added.

Member secretary of KSPCB Srinivasalu said a joint operation was underway to crack down on those violating specified norms for discharging waste and thereby polluting the environment.

The National Green Tribunal had rapped the State government last year and had asked it to submit a time-bound plan to prevent the SWDs from getting polluted.

EXPRESS READ

Unlock 1.0: Parks to stay open from 5 am to 9 pm

Bengaluru: As per a State Government notification, the city's parks will now be open from 5 am to 9 pm. "The timings have been enhanced under Unlock-1, wherein the duration for people to move around has also been increased. In this case, keeping parks closed does not make much sense. However, people will have to follow all norms issued by the Central and State Governments," said N Manjunatha Prasad, Principal Secretary, Revenue Department. He said that people have to ensure that they do not crowd and they have to mandatorily wear a mask. Citizens will have to leave the park before 9 pm. The orders come into effect from Sunday morning. **ENS**

Marshals collect Rs 2.63L lakh in fines from people for not wearing masks

Bengaluru: Marshals are ensuring that citizens wear a mask and maintain social distancing. Till May 20, they have collected fines worth Rs 2.71 lakh from people in the city. A total of 1,316 people were penalised for not wearing masks and they collected Rs 2.63 lakh as fine from them. Altogether 35 people were penalised for not maintaining social distance and Rs 7,800 was collected from them. **ENS**

PLANETARIUM TO WEBCAST ECLIPSE TODAY

PEARL MARIA D'SOUZA
@ Bengaluru

THE lockdown regulations may have put a stopper to various events, but residents and scientists at Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium are ready to witness yet another partial Solar Eclipse from the comfort of their homes.

The planetarium will only webcast the celestial event on Sunday due to the Covid-induced ban on public gatherings. "We have not made arrangements this time for the public to view the eclipse in the planetarium complex due to the lockdown restrictions in force," Planetarium director Pramod Galgali said on Saturday.

In the city, obscuration of the Sun by the Moon will start at 10:12 am and will cover a maximum of around 40 per cent of the Sun at 11:47 am. In Bengaluru, however, the ring of light will not be seen, say scientists, as the eclipse is only partial. It will look like someone has taken a bite of the sun. The partial phase will end at 1:31 pm, they said.

Preparations are underway for the solar eclipse, at Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium in Bengaluru on Saturday | VINOD KUMAR T

"I don't have any equipment at home, so I'll view the phenomenon online," said Suraj I G, a space enthusiast. Several like him are set to view the eclipse from home. Over the last three days, the Curios stall at the planetarium has witnessed huge sale of the Eclipse Goggles and 1,000 pieces were sold by Saturday, officials said.

While the phenomenon is exciting for photographers, scientific officer at JNP, Lakshmi B R, said one must take absolute precautions to make sure they do not suffer retinal damage. One must cover their eyes at all times with the H Alpha Filter or the Sun filter films that are used in telescope and sun goggles, she said.

Welders Glass No. 14 is recommended for those who have access. Parents can use their children's pinhole camera to project the image on to the screen and watch the eclipse indirectly.

The planetarium has arranged an online webcast of the partial solar eclipse on its website www.taralaya.org and its Facebook and YouTube channels. The webcast will start with a 30-minute demo at 9:30 am where a scientist will elaborate on the partial solar eclipse, why it happens and how frequently.

The eclipse then will be livestreamed from Hanley, Kodaikanal and Bengaluru. The Benglauru stream will have images from both regular telescope and the H-Alpha Filter-based telescope, which will cut off 99 per cent of the intensity of the Sun's light.

Three people drowned in a pond at Suvarnamukhi Temple in Bannerghatta on Friday. Jessica (25), Danish (24) and Moses (21) were residents of Wilson Garden. They worked at a mall in Koramangala.

SUNDAY INTERVIEW

'Changes in Land Act will boost farmers' incomes'

RAMU PATIL @Bengaluru

THE State Government's decision to amend the Karnataka Land Reforms Act has come under fire from opposition parties and farmer associations that are threatening to protest against the proposed changes that will allow non-agriculturists to buy agriculture land. Defending the decision, Revenue Minister R Ashoka said the government is committed to protecting farmers' interests and ensuring development of industries at the same time. There is no need for any apprehension and the government will reach out to the opposition to take them into confidence, he told The New Sunday Express.

■ Why has the government decided to make changes in the Land Reforms Act?
We decided to amend the Act to ensure growth of agricultureal and industrial sectors of the state. The earlier provision that prohibited non-agriculturalists from buying agriculture land was not helping people in anyway and was only used by Revenue Department officials to harass people. In the last 45 years, many cases were registered for violation, but no action was taken. It had become irrelevant.

■ Agriculture and employment generation are among the government's top priorities. How will the proposed changes help?
Once the Act is changed, agro-processing industries, warehouses and cold storage facilities in rural areas can come up. We need to have mango juice factories, tomato processing plants, sugar factories, coconut processing units and many other agro-processing units in rural areas. That will help reduce transportation cost, which is a big burden on farmers. That is the model followed in many countries, including Taiwan. The changes will also help reduce wastage of agriculture produce. In many developed countries, the wastage is around 3-4 percent, but here it is around 30 percent as we do not have cold storage facilities and warehouses in rural areas. Once we have these facilities, our farmers will get a good price for their produce and their incomes will increase. It will also help generate employment opportunities in rural areas and those graduating from agriculture universities too can take up farming.

■ What mechanisms will be put in place to ensure that the proposed changes are not misused?
We have put an upper ceiling of 108 acres per family. Let me assure people that we will have enough mechanisms in place to ensure that it will not be misused.

■ Why is government contemplating an ordinance route instead of getting it passed in the Assembly?
We may not have an Assembly session soon due to the Covid pandemic and even if we implement it through an ordinance, we will discuss it in the assembly when the session is convened. We are still discussing all these aspects.

■ Opposition parties accuse the government of amending the Act to help corporates and are planning a statewide agitation. Will you reach out to them?
The Congress is opposing only because the Act was implemented when the party was in power. However, we have to make changes depending on the current requirements. What was relevant at that time is irrelevant now. With the changes, we can put an end to people's harassment. We will reach out to the opposition and try to explain the advantages of these amendments. But we cannot help if they are opposing only for political reasons.

■ The Agriculture Produce Market Committee (APMC) Act too was amended recently and a well-established system has been opened up for the private sector. How will it impact farmers?
It will help farmers as they can now sell their produce either at APMC yards or outside. It will also create competition and protect farmers from middlemen. Our focus is to help farmers and overall development of the state.

K'taka in pursuit of investors exiting China

RAMU PATIL @Bengaluru

KARNATAKA is in aggressive pursuit of firms that are likely to exit China following the Covid-19 outbreak. This, in the background of top diplomats in New Delhi working overtime to de-escalate the situation at the Line of Actual Control (LAC) after a deadly face-off between Indian and Chinese soldiers at Galwan Valley in Ladakh.

After constituting a Special Investment Task Force, headed by the Chief Secretary, the State has identified electronics manufacturing, pharmaceuticals, aerospace, automobile and other sectors as the "go-to sectors" to woo firms looking for alternatives to China. Senior industries department officials are holding country-specific interactions with France, Germany, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan and other nations to market Karnataka's investment potential. "On Thursday, we held talks with France; next week we are holding talks with Germany; and after that with Japan," Gaurav Gupta, Principal Secretary, Industries and Commerce Department, told *TNSE*.

Talks are being held with consulates, ministers, trade bodies, representatives of companies which already have a presence in Karnataka and prospective investors during the online country-specific meetings.

Well aware of the complexities of the job, the task force includes nominees from Japan External Trade Organization, Korea Trade Investment Promotion Agency, Korean Chamber of Commerce, Taiwan External Trade Development Council, French Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Indo-German Chamber of Commerce and Enterprise of Singapore. The task force will also help the State formulate special incentive packages and facilitation to attract investments. This is because the State is of the view that China may not be able to retain its position as the world's largest factory in the post-Covid world order, and India is seen as an alternative manufacturing hub.

Many firms, the officials said, have made up their mind and are identifying local partners to tie up with, and the State is engaging with them. There will be no country-barrier for the firms that have existing production lines or partners in India. That makes it easy for them to relocate, while others need to find local partners if they decide to relocate.

"We are pursuing it very seriously and hope to get a good response in the next few months," Karnataka Industries Minister Jagadish Shettar told The New Sunday Express. Senior officers are holding regular meetings with several countries while the State Government is also taking measures to ensure ease-of-doing-business in the State, he added.

To complement the government's efforts, the Federation of Karnataka Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FKCCI) has also constituted its task force of experts. "We are identifying countries interested in shifting their businesses to Karnataka and reaching out to prospective investors through various channels, including trade bodies in different countries. We are also taking help from respective consulates," said FKCCI president C R Janardhana. People who have established industries in Singapore and China are also part of the FKCCI task force.

The competition may be tough, but the FKCCI chief sees it as a doable task. "Over 1,000 companies have already left China and many more may move out. Huge domestic market, friendly workforce, good infrastructure, air connectivity, uniform tax, abundant energy and availability of land will work to the State's advantage. All these aspects are highlighted during our talks with prospective investors," he added.

THE STRATEGY

- Task force headed by Chief Secretary/FKCCI task force consisting of experts
- Aerospace, electronics manufacturing, pharma identified as go-to sectors
- Country-specific meetings held to market state's investment potential
- Friendly-workforce, good infrastructure, air connectivity, availability of land, ease-of-doing business highlighted
- Brand Bengaluru is an added advantage

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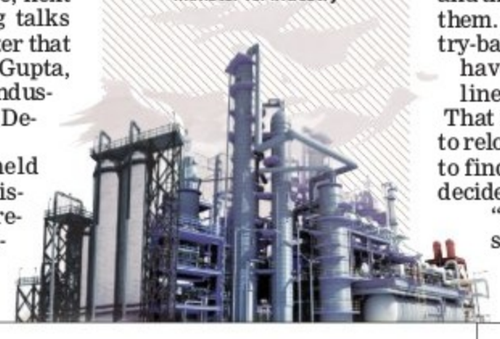
Jagadish Shettar, Minister for Industry



Tell people facts about Galwan: Kharge

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

SENIOR Congress leader Mallikarjun Kharge on Saturday urged Prime Minister Narendra Modi to place all facts related to events in the Galwan valley before people of the country. Reacting to the PM's statement that neither had anyone intruded into Indian territory nor had any post been captured, Kharge said the government must explain whether there was an intelligence failure or other lapse that resulted in the deadly stand-off. It is better if the government does not conceal any facts, he said.

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Sri Narendra Modi
Hon'ble Prime Minister

International Yoga Day
21, June 2020
Yoga for Harmony & Peace

Sri B. S. Yediyurappa
Hon'ble Chief Minister

Rajiv Gandhi University Of Health Sciences, Karnataka

Celebrates 6th International Day of Yoga 2020

Exhale the past.
Inhale the future.
Live healthy.

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Dr. K. Sudhakar
Hon'ble Minister for Medical Education and Pro Chancellor, RGUHS

Welcome Speech by
Dr. S. Sacchidanand
Vice Chancellor RGUHS

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COVID-19

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TRACKING COVID-19

Five more BMTC employees have tested positive for Covid-19. A total of six conductors, two traffic controllers and two assistant traffic inspectors have tested positive, as per sources, but BMTC has only confirmed nine cases.

181 NEW RECOVERIES

5,391 TOTAL RECOVERED

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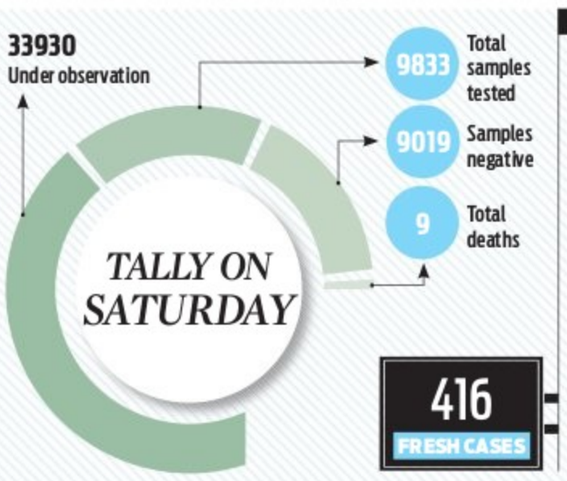

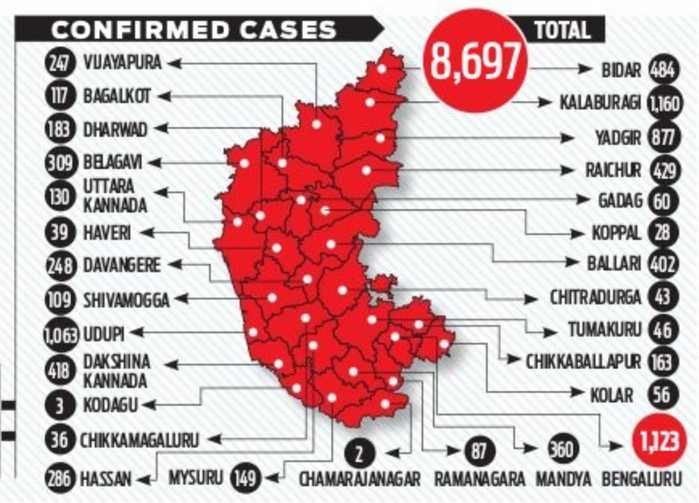

COVID WATCH

KIA ups its safety measures

Bengaluru: Kempegowda International Airport has introduced enhanced sanitation measures to ensure passenger safety. Ultraviolet tunnels for treatment of trolleys, UV-treated trays, safe disposal of bio-waste generated by Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) are some of the measures being taken. "Two custom-designed UV tunnels have been created to disinfect trolleys in a cordoned off area of the terminal," a release said. Trays will be UV-treated manually by a team after every use. UV spray treatment will be done on all check-in baggage and all outbound passenger baggage will be sanitised before being loaded onto aircrafts. "BIAL will introduce silver nano coating technology for surface disinfection, which will self-sanitise surfaces and reduce use of frequent chemical disinfection," the airport said. Sanitisation of high-traffic areas and frequently-touched surfaces will be done every thirty minutes manually." ENS

Pvt hospitals must inform BBMP, DHOs about cases

Bengaluru: The state government has now made it mandatory for private hospitals to notify the BBMP or district health authorities on all Covid patients, as cases are on the rise. The Suvarna Arogya Suraksha Trust (SAST) has held extensive discussions regarding this. A few hospitals empanelled with the SAST have also entered into an MOU for the treatment of Covid patients. If a patient tests positive, private hospital authorites must refer to the norms laid down by the BBMP commissioner or director of the Health and Family Welfare Services or DHOs. The hospital then has to notify SAST and start treatment. Charges will be in accordance to packages fixed for Covid-19 treatment.

RISING CURVE

Need better plan to tackle surge: Experts

'Pvt institutions should be roped in; Docs, must be trained to categorise patients'

CHETANA BELAGERE
@Bengaluru

WITH the surge in Covid-positive cases and mortality rates in Karnataka, epidemiologists and health experts have suggested that the state should come out with a revised strategy to tackle the pandemic and bring down deaths.

Stating that Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa has convened a meeting with health officials, sources said that the government has already changed its strategies to reduce the burden on Covid-designated hospitals.

"The surge was expected and it will continue. But it is time to come up with a coordinated and comprehensive response. The government should now plan treatment strategies and rope in medical colleges, including private institutions, to handle the spike," said senior epidemiologist Giridhara Babu.

Doctors, who are at the frontline treating Covid patients, said the government should evolve a strategy to determine the condition of patients, and shift them to specific healthcare centres.

"The moment a patient is tested positive, he/she should be shifted to the Covid-designated hospital or to a CCC. There should be a process where patients can know whether a particular hospital has beds, ventilators or ICU. But confusion prevails at most hospitals now, delaying treatment and at many times leading to deaths," said a senior doctor in Bengaluru.

A BBMP nodal officer said, "All doctors and healthcare workers in Bengaluru will be trained to categorise patients as symptomatic, mildly symptomatic, asymptomatic and severely-ill cases. They will then be shifted to either Covid-designated hospitals or CCCs," he said.

"Bengaluru has many private institutions that can treat Covid patients. This will ease the burden on government hospitals. ICU facilities at government hospitals are limited," said an epidemiologist.

N Lokesh, a Nodal Officer, said, "This is being worked out and private institutions will be roped in. The details will be provided by the health department soon."

Also, in Bengaluru, the government had announced that all the 900 beds at Victoria Hospital would be dedicated for treating Covid patients, but after rearranging beds keeping social distancing in mind, only 550 beds could be accommodated.

Medical Education Minister Dr K Sudhakar said, "Soon, there will be no shortage as asymptomatic patients will be moved to CCCs and hospitals will have only symptomatic cases. Also, private institutions will be roped in. There will be more than 25,000 beds available in the city alone."

DESIGNATED COVID HOSPITALS

A total of 16 hospitals in Bengaluru will function as Dedicated Covid Health Centres (DCHC), which are meant for serious cases. Three Covid Care Centres have been identified for asymptomatic patients - Ravishankar Ashram, Kanteerava Stadium and Koramangala Indoor Stadium.

NAME OF HOSPITAL	BEDS FOR COVID CASES	ICU BEDS FOR COVID CASES
Sir CV Raman GH	250	0
GH Jayanagar	100	7
KC GH	100	4
ED Hospital	40	0
ESI Indiranagar	100	0
ESI Rajajinagar	50	6
ESI Peenya	50	6
Command Hospital	250	50
KR Puram GH	50	1
Yelahanka GH	50	1
Anekal GH	50	1
Nelamangala GH	50	1
Doddaballapura GH	50	1
Hosakote	30	1
Devanahalli GH	20	1
Leoprasy Hospital	40	0

Panic after gynaecologist tests positive

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A gynaecologist at the ESI Hospital in Rajajinagar has tested positive and there was panic as the doctor was in contact with several others.

"We were told that the doctor had tested positive. The doctor had seen many patients and was also in contact with the other doctors and nurses. And panic prevailed in the hospital. The doctor had stopped coming to the hospital for about three days now. We were later told that she had developed the Covid-19 symptoms and had given her swab samples for testing and that the results came out on Friday night and she had tested positive," said a staff member.

The staffer alleged, "The management has not taken any measures in this regard. Even the department of gynaecology has been kept open. The OPD is functioning as usual. And none of the doctor's contacts have been asked to go into quarantine."

Visvesvaraya Tower near Vidhana Soudha being santised after an employee tested positive for Covid-19 , in Bengaluru, on Saturday | VINOD KUMAR T

Denying the allegations, Dr Imtihan Hussain, Medical Chief, ESI Hospital, said, "The gynaecologist had Influenza Like Illness (ILI) . She worked last on Wednesday, after which she got herself tested and the result was positive. We have informed the BBMP and we are also tracing the patients she was in contact with. We have sanitised the department."

Meanwhile, a 60-year-old male fruit and flower seller outside the Ram Mandir temple in Rajajinagar tested positive and the temple has been sealed. It is said that the person would stay inside the temple premises and was in contact with a few people who have been asked to go into quarantine. The shops closeby have also been asked to close down.

A KAS officer from VV Towers had tested positive and the building was sanitized. In another case, an information department official from Vidhana Soudha tested positive, making it the second one. Dr Vijendra Bilaguli, Chief Health Officer, BBMP, told *The New Sunday Express* that there would be no mass testing of all the officials at Vidhana Soudha. It will only be primary and secondary contacts of positive people. And the entry into the building of people is a decision that needs to be taken by their administration, he said.

Students whose family members have tested positive or are under quarantine are exempted from the upcoming SSLC exams

SSLC students exempt from exam if primary contact tested +ve: Minister

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AS there were gaps while conducting the 2nd PUC exam where 24-26 schools in the state did not ensure social distancing norms, Primary and Secondary Education Minister S Suresh Kumar on Saturday said that such issues will not repeat during the SSLC exams starting on June 25.

Officials have been told to exempt students whose primary contacts have tested Covid-positive and such students will be given an opportunity to write the exam during the supplementary paper, he said.

If any SSLC student, whose parents or any relative staying with them are found positive or placed under quarantine, then such students can be exempted from attending the exams in advance, he said

"The SSLC exams are being held on court orders. Health checkpoints will be set up at the main entrance of the exam centre for every 200 students. Each student will receive 2 masks," he said.

At least two additional examination centres will be identified in each taluk as a precautionary measure, he added.

SSLC Mutt student tests negative

Tumakuru: An SSLC student from the Siddaganga Mutt in Tumakuru, who had tested positive at his hometown in Kurnool in Andhra Pradesh, tested negative as the results of his samples came out on Saturday. Three of his roommates also tested negative, official sources said. However, throat swabs of 108 students have been taken for the tests. ENS

PU student who sat for exam tests negative

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THE girl student, who attended the 2nd PUC English exam on Thursday and whose father was tested Covid-positive, has tested negative for Covid-19, said Primary and Secondary Education Minister S Suresh Kumar on Saturday.

The student's father, a driver at the Health Department, had tested positive on Thursday and his report come after he dropped his daughter to the examination centre. "Other students need not worry as she has tested negative," he said.

As false messages went around that the student had tested positive, Suresh Kumar said that it had left a negative impression on the entire examination system. "The BBMP and the health department did not provide accurate information leading to confusion," he added.

"I will inform the Additional Chief Secretary and the Commissioner for Health to take necessary action against the driver for violating quarantine rules," he said.

Several members of the National Students' Union of India protested outside the minister's house on Saturday demanding postponement of SSLC exams. The local police, however, shooed them away as they had not taken prior permission.

2nd death in dept after head constable succumbs

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A 56-year-old head constable, attached to Kalasipalya police station, succumbed to Covid-19 on Saturday. He had tested positive four days ago and was being treated at Victoria Hospital. This is the second death in the police department. So far, 36 policemen have tested positive for the coronavirus.

A senior police officer at Kalasipalya police station said the head constable had been assigned to the Cheetah motorcycle patrol squad and was staying in Cottonpet with his family. His primary and secondary contacts have been traced and placed under quarantine.

Earlier this week, an ASI from VV Puram traffic police station, who had a suffered cardiac arrest and had died while undergoing treatment, had also tested positive for Covid-19.

Cubbon Park Police Station was sealed after an officer tested positive for coronavirus, in Bengaluru, on Saturday | MEGHANA SASTRY

Meanwhile, an Assistant Sub-Inspector of Police, attached with Wilson Garden traffic police station, and a head constable at Cubbon Park police station tested positive for Covid-19 on Saturday. The BBMP fumigated both police stations. The primary and secondary contacts of both policemen have been quarantined.

Speaking to TNIE, City Police Commissioner Bhaskar Rao said, "Extra safety measures have been adopted following increasing number of cases among policemen. On-duty police personnel have been asked not to come in physical contact with the public and to use PPE kits. They are well equipped now as per the SOP issued by the department."

15 cops in Myuru, 2 in Hassan test +ve

Mysuru/Hassan: Fifteen KSRP personnel who had gone to Bengaluru on duty and were staying in their official accommodation in Mysuru after their return, reported positive for Covid-19 on Saturday. Along with them two TN returnees, one AP returnee and one from Delhi also tested positive. In Hassan, 16 persons including two police constables attached to 14th KSRP battalion, Hassan, tested positive, taking the number of infected persons to 287 in the district. Deputy Commissioner R Girish said the two police constables are from Hassan and other 14 are from Channarayapatna taluk with a travel history to Maharastra. ENS

B'luru Urban again tops with 94 +ves

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BENGALURU Urban again recorded the highest number of cases for a district, registering 94 Covid-positives on Saturday. The tally for the entire state was 416 cases, taking the total to 8,697. The number of discharges were 181 and the total was 5,391.

Of 416 cases, 116 were interstate passengers and 22 international passengers. The state recorded nine Covid deaths of them, three were from Bengaluru Urban, two from Bidar, one each from Chikkamagaluru, Udupi and Davanagere. The toll now stands at 132.

In Bengaluru, the three dead are all men, aged 46, 56 and 39. Two from Bidar were a 51-year-old woman and 65-year-old man. In Udupi, a 54-year-old man, and in Chikkamagaluru a 72-year-old woman died. In the others' list was a 66-year-old woman. Others include cases of other states and international quarantined passengers.

Bidar district was next on the list with 73 cases, Ballari and Ramanagar had 38 cases, Kalaburgi 34, Mysuru 22, Hassan 16, Raichur 15, Udupi 13 cases, Haveri 12 cases, Vijaypura nine, Chikkamagaluru eight cases, Dharwad and Chikkaballapur five cases each, Mandya, Uttara Kannada, Kolar and Bengaluru Rural had four cases, Davangere three cases, Bagalkot, Shivamogga, Gadag and Tumakuru two cases each, and one case each from Belagavi and Chamrajanagar.

Silver Jubilee Park Road in Bengaluru was sealed on Saturday | VINOD KUMAR T

The CCB police on Friday arrested a 29-year-old man for selling playing cards meant for gambling which had micro cameras embedded in them to help his customers win. The accused, Imran E, is a resident of BK Nagar in Yeshwanthpur. Police raided Imran's house and seized a number of electronic devices, all worth Rs 4 lakh

In '62, HAL made first flight to DBO possible

Daulat Beg Oldi airstrip was not operational for next 45 years till AN-32 cargo aircraft landed

BALA CHAUHAN @Bengaluru

THE Daulat Beg Oldi (DBO) airstrip in Eastern Ladakh is of great strategic importance for India vis a vis China. Nearly six decades ago, on July 23, 1962, the then Sqn Ldr, late Air Marshal C K S Raje, had landed a Fairchild Packet, C–119 G, fitted with an Orpheus engine as the Jet Pack at Daulat Beg Oldi (DBO), the highest airstrip in the world at about 16,600 feet. "The Fairchild Packet was modified to fly at that height by the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL), Bengaluru," said Air Marshal S R K Nair (Retd), who on Aug 20, 2013 had flown to DBO in the giant IAF transport aircraft, C130J Super Hercules with Air Cmde Tejbir Singh as the pilot, to "enhance airlift capacity to DBO for the Indian Army," said the retired IAF officer.

DBO is adjacent to the Chip Chap river, and lies 8 km south and 9 km west of the Line of Actual Control (LAC), with China. "The air distance to the Karakoram Pass from DBO is just 10 km, which is why the airstrip is of immense strategic importance to the Army. It must be supported to the extent possible," said AM Nair (R).

On August 20, 2013, the IAF landed its C-130J Super Hercules transport plane at the Daulat Beg Oldi airstrip with then Air Vice Marshal SRK Nair on board

The DBO airstrip was not operational for more than 45 years after 1962. On May 31, 2008 one AN-32 (medium-lift tactical airlift aircraft) with two AI 20 D engines of 48 Sqn, landed at DBO at 0615 hrs with the then Group Capt S C Chafekar, CO of 48 Sqn, at the controls with the then Air Marshal PK Barbora, AOC-in-C Western Air Command, on board. "I was then commanding Air Force Station Chandigarh and was overhead DBO with a bird's eye view of the landing," he reminisced. AM Nair (R) added that subsequently, he flew AN32 in and out of DBO in 2008.

"I had landed the aircraft and recall the lack of power, sluggishness of controls at the extreme altitude and the very high ground speed of the aircraft. Landing and taking off were challenging. The whole aircraft operation is beyond the operating envelope of AN32," recalled the veteran Air Force officer.

Five years later, on August 20, 2013, the IAF landed its C-130J Super Hercules transport plane at the DBO with then Air Vice Marshal SRK Nair on board!

"It was very important to enhance airlift capability to this airstrip because of its strategic location. The landing of C 130J Super Hercules at DBO in 2013 was a huge step forward for the IAF and the Army. It is the last airfield we have in that strategically important region. The aircraft is very useful for the expeditious induction and extraction of troops and supplies," he added.

"DBO is at a height of 16,600 ft and the winter temperatures drop to -48 Celsius. The officers and jawans of the Army, besides a few nomads are the only habitants of this treacherous terrain, weathering hostile conditions, rarefied atmosphere and poor communication," he said.

"DBO has a mud strip, where there is lose soil on top. For every landing, the local Army troops manually compress the mud with the roller. For binding the soil, they make use of used oil. The ride on the DBO runway surface is rather bumpy and bouncy," said AM Nair (Retd).

Packets did fine only up to 14K ft

"Packet had two Wright Cyclone 3500 piston engines with severely reduced power at over 16,000 feet, the height of DBO. Some additional thrust was necessary to achieve what was then considered an impossible task. The Packets were able to do fine up to about 14,000 feet Above Mean Sea Level, but with height, power decreased. If DBO was to be supplied by landing an aircraft, the Packet needed some 'boost'. So, the IAF decided to fit a J-34 jet engine on top the aircraft, with HAL ordered to do the modification. Soon it was found that the J-34 was not adequate for the mountains of Ladakh, so the Orpheus 701 jet engine, powering the HAL Gnat, was fitted. The first of the Jet Pack Packets was flown from Bengaluru to J&K for operational trials," said Group Captain AG Bewoor (Retd).

Amulya case: Advocate seeks NIA probe

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AN advocate from Mandya filed a petition before the Karnataka High Court, seeking the transfer of the sedition case against Amulya Leona to the National Investigation Agency.

IN THE HC

The petition, filed by H L Vishala Raghu on June 16, has not yet been assigned a petition number. He sought to make the Home Department, DG&IGP, commissioner of police, assistant commissioner of police, National Investigation Agency and Amulya Leona Noronha as respondents in the case.

In the petition, Raghu said there is a need to ascertain whether there is an 'advisory committee' that was behind Amulya's speeches and whether it had any links to terror organisations.

The state government, meanwhile, has appointed I S Pramod Chandra as Special Public Prosecutor to argue the sedition case registered against Amulya, before the JMFC and sessions courts.

Accused can file statements via video-conference

Bengaluru: In view of the Covid-19 pandemic, the High Court stated that the accused in any case can record their statement through video-conference, under Section 313 of the CrPC. A division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice S Vishwajith Shetty passed the order in relation to a suo motu PIL to address issues arising when cases are heard online. "The step has been taken to secure the court's functioning by following safety measures. Therefore, such a course adopted by the courts should be deemed to be lawful", the bench said.

District courts held 6,900 online sittings

Bengaluru: Between March 26 and June 6, a total of 7,555 cases were heard by the district courts in the state through video-conference. During this period, as many as 6,929 online sittings were held. As per the statistics released by Karnataka High Court registrar general Rajendra Badamikar, a total of 10,218 cases were disposed off. As many as 6,710 cases were e-filed and 13,315 cases filed physically. Between June 1 and June 6, 81,489 cases have been listed for physical hearing.

Govt plans new dates for 'Sapthapadi' programme

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

DESPITE the Covid-19 pandemic, the State Government is considering going ahead with its ambitious 'Sapthapadi' mass marriage programme in July and August this year.

The programme was earlier scheduled to be held on April 26 and May 24, but had to postponed due to the pandemic. Now, the State Government plans to hold the programme and will choose two dates from among seven said to be auspicious. Sapthapadi is a programme to hold the weddings of 1,000 couples in 100 temples under the Endowment Department.

Endowment Minister Kota Srinivas Poojari told *The New Sunday Express* that there was still one month to go for the programme to begin. "We can restrict the number of people per couple and hold it in small gatherings," he said.

EXPRESS READ

Govt extends cooperation to industries: DyCM

Bengaluru: DyCM Dr CN Aswath Narayan on Saturday said there is a need to rebuild Karnataka by strengthening the economy and industry. Speaking at a webinar, the DyCM said the State Government will extend complete cooperation to the industry which is aiming to double the Gross State Domestic Produce in the next six years from the existing $230 billion to $500 billion. He said the government's aim is to give impetus to agriculture, manufacturing and service sectors. On the APMC Act amendment, the minister said the government headed by BS Yediyurappa is emphasising on creating an industry-friendly administration by making amendments to the APMC Act. **ENS**

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL, MEDICAL EDUCATION & TRAINING, UTTAR PRADESH, 6th FLOOR, JAWAHAR BHAWAN, LUCKNOW.

No.: ME-3/2020/993 Lucknow: Dated :- 18 June, 2020

The Time Schedule of Second Round of Online Counseling of UP NEET PG - 2020

The Time Schedule for the Admission through Online counseling in the State of Uttar Pradesh for Government / Private Medical / Dental Colleges / Institutions / Universities for Postgraduate (MD/MS/Diploma/MDS Courses) is as follows:-

Date of Online Registration	22nd June 2020 (From 2:00 PM) To 26th June 2020
Online Security Fee Payment	22nd June 2020 (From 2:00 PM) To 30th June 2020
Expected date of Declaration of Merit List	2nd July 2020
Date of Online Choice Filling & Locking	06th July 2020 (From 4:00 PM) to 09th July 2020 Upto 11:00 AM
Declaration of result of seat allotment	10th, 11th July 2020
Date for Downloading Allotment letters & Admission	13th July 2020 to 17th July 2020

- Registration & Security Money will be deposited through Debit Card / Credit Card / Net Banking / E-Challan.
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Director General

IN THE COURT OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER BANGALORE RURAL DISTRICT AT BANGALORE

RP No.118 / 2018-

BETWEEN : Sri. B.M. Venkatesh PETITIONER

AND

THE ASST COMMISSIONER & OTHERS RESPONDENTS

SUMMONS TO RESPONDENT No.3 & 4 UNDER ORDER 5 RULE 20(1) (A) OF THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

R3: Sri. Pillaiah, Aged about 68 years, S/o. Late Sri. Doddamunishamaih,
R4: Sri Manjunath, S/o. Sri. Pillayayh, Aged about 35 years,
R5: Sri. V Chandrahekar Aged about 53 years, S/o. Sri. Late M. Venkatesh,
R3 to R5: Residing at Doddakammanahalli, Gottigere Post, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore – 560 083.

Whereas the petitioner above named has filed the Revenue Petition against the respondents seeking to set aside the impugned order in case No. R A. (S) 433/2014-15, Dated : 29.05.2017 passed by 1st respondent and for other consequential reliefs in respect of the schedule properties etc.

Take notice that the above named respondents No.3, 4 & 5 in the above petition and is hereby summoned to appear before this Hon'ble Court on 23/6/2020 at 03:00 PM either in person or through an advocate failing which suit will be decided expert against them.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF THIS HON'BLE COURT THIS THE 17th DAY OF 6, 2020.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT
sd/-
COMMISSIONER
BANGALORE DISTRICT
AT BANGALORE

sd/-
Advocate for Petitioner
M/s P Basavaraju,
Advocates,
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Whereas the undersigned being the authorized officer of **Fullerton India Home Finance Company Limited** (hereinafter referred to as "FIHFCL"), Having its registered office at Megh Towers, 3rd Floor, Old No. 307, New No. 165, Poonamallee High Road Maduravoyal, Chennai, Tamil Nadu-600095 under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002), and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notice dated mentioned below under Section 13(2) of the said Act calling upon you being the borrowers (names and addresses mentioned below) to repay the amount mentioned in the said notice and interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrower mentioned herein below having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers mentioned herein below and to the public in general that undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on me under sub section (4) of section 13 of the Act read with the Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The borrowers mentioned herein below in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the said property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the Charge of Fullerton India Home Finance Company Limited for an amount as mentioned herein under and interest thereon. The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Sr. No	Name of the Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower (s)	Description of secured assets (Immovable Property)	Demand Notice Date & Amount	Date of Possession
1.	**Loan A/c No. - 601007210247479** **1. Sai Elahgovan J S/o. Jayachandran** **2. Sai Agalya W/o. Sai Elahgovan J** **3. Ultra Infra Enterprises, Prop- Sai Agalya/Sai Elahgovan J.** **Add 1 :** No. 1, 1st Floor, Vega Arcade 6th, A Main Ombr Layout banaswadi, Bangalore, Karnataka-560043. **Add 2:** No. 16, 7th Main, 80 Ft. Road, 1st Block, Kormangala, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560034 **Add 3 :** Property No. 01, Katha No. 855/ 1/582/M/34/ Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka, Bangalore, Karnataka-560092	All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No. 1, Old V.P. Khata No. 582/M, Khatha No. 855/1/ 582/M/34/3-4/1, Assessment Nos. 34/3 & 34/4, situated at Kodigehalli Village, Yalahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, now under the limit of BBMP, measuring East to West: 40 Feet, North to South : 36 Feet and adjacent property measuring East to West: (51+46)/2 Feet, in all **4641 Sq.Ft.** and **Bounded on the:** East by: 30 Feet Wide Road, West by: Private property belonging to Bidlur Ramachandra, North by: Portion of same property bearing No. 582/M/1 and South by: Property No. 2, belonging to Sri, Ramesh Basappa. Within the registration district of Bangalore and sub registration office at **Gandhinagar.**	**Dated 13.03.2020 Rs. 1,19,17,784.66** (Rs. One Crore Nineteen lakhs Seventeen Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty Four & Sixty Six Paisa Only)	17.06.2020

Date : 17.06.2020
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Fullerton India Home Finance Company Limited

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby informed to the General Public that Mr.C.R.Venkatesha Murthy, S/o Late Ramaswamy Shetty, R/at No. 302, Bhaskar Paper Mart, Avenue Road, City Market, Bengaluru is the owner of the schedule property. It is informed me that he had lost/ misplaced the Sale Deed dated 29/09/1962 registered as Document No 2044/1962-63, Book No 1, stored in Volume No 1882, Pages 98 to 101 before the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Bangalore City North executed by Sri. M. Shivananjappa in favor of Sri. C.G. Ramaswamy Shetty in this regard my client had also lodged the complaint before the Police. If any persons known/ found/ possessing or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to hand over the same to the undersigned at his office below mentioned address within 7 days from the date hereof, failing which any claims if any, shall be considered as waived.

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POSSESSION NOTICE

WHEREAS, the authorized officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** (Formerly known as Janalakshmi Financial Services Limited)., under the Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act,2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued demand notices to the borrower(s)/ Co-borrower (s) calling upon the borrowers to repay the amount mentioned against the respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notices, along with future interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and/ or realisation.

Sr. No.	Loan No.	Borrower/ Co-Borrower/Guarantor/ Mortgagor	13(2) Notice Date/ Outstanding Due (in Rs.) as on	Date/Time & Type of Possession
1	30198640000081	**(1) M/S. ESHWARI ENTERPRISES** represented by its Proprietor **Mr. R Nataraj, 2) Mr. R Nataraj & 3) Mrs. M Priya**	07.01.2020 **Rs.33,07,198/-** as on 06.12.2019	18.06.2020 @ 9.55 a.m **Symbolic Possession**
	Description of Secured Asset: Item No.1: All that piece and Parcel of Immovable property bearing Site No.9, Sy.No.89, vide Conversion order bearing No. ALN. SR. No.184/2003-04, BBMP Byatrayanpura CMC Katha Old No.980, situated at Singapura Village, YellahankaHobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, **measuring East to West:** 40ft **& North to South:** 30ft in all measuring 1200 Sq.ft **and bounded by: East by:** 25ft Road;West By: Site No.14; **North by:** Site No.10; **South by:** Site No.8. **Item No.2:** All that piece and parcel of Immovable property bearing Western Portion of property bearing New Municipal No.96, PID. No.45-38-96, situated at Kasturibanagar, Pipe Lane West, Ward No.45, Bangalore, **measuring East to West:** 15ft **& North to South:** 40ft in all measuring 600 Sq.ft **and bounded on the:- East by:** Eastern portion of same property; **West by:** Site No. 61; **North by:** Site No.55; **South by:** Road.		
2	30198650010392	**(1) M/S.Manam Enterprises,** Represented by its Proprietor **Mr. Mohammed Manzoor Pasha, 2) Mr. Mohammed Manzoor Pasha & 3) Mr. Mohammed Mansoor Pasha**	28.06.2019 **Rs. 6,73,669/-** as on 09.06.2019	17.06.2020 @ 4.30p.m **Physical Possession**
	Description of Secured Asset: All that piece and Parcel of Immovable property bearing Site No.15, Katha No.9/3, Property No.9/3, **measuring East to West:** 30ft & **North to South:** 40ft in all measuring 1200 Sq.ft, situated at Vittasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk **and bounded on the:- East by:** Road; **West by:** Site No.14; **North by:** Site No.16; **South by:** Road.		

Whereas the Borrower's/Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors, mentioned herein above have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby given to the Borrower's mentioned herein above in particular and to the Public in general that the authorised officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** has **taken possession** of the properties/secured assets described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the dates mentioned above. The Borrower's/Co-Borrower's/Guarantor's/ Mortgagors mentioned herein above in particular and the Public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid properties/Secured Assets and any dealings with the said properties/ Secured assets will be subject to the charge of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited.**

Place: Bangalore	**Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Date: 19.06.2020	**For. Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK

Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No. 10/1,11/2 &12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.
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Last date for receipt of sealed tender in our office is **30th June 2020** till **6.00 p.m.** The tenders received after the due date and time will not be entertained.

Deputy General Manager (Production),
Express Publications (Madurai) Private Ltd.,
Express Gardens, 29,
II Main Road, Industrial Estate,
Ambattur, Chennai-600058.
Phone : 2345 7601 Extn. 310, 23457521 (Direct)
Chennai Date : 21.06.2020.

CHANGE OF NAME

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I, Smt. **JYOTHI.K**, W/o Mr. Girish Rao More, R/o #21, Jyothigiri Nivasa, Manjunatha Nagar, Bagalagunte, Nagasandra, Bangalore – 560073 declares that **JYOTHI.K** and **K.JYOTHI** as mentioned in my husband's service records by mistake, both belongs to me only & my correct name is **JYOTHI.K,** vide affidavit dated 19.06.2020 sworn before notary N. Mahesha, B'lore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Charanjit. V. s/o. B.T. Vijay Kumar, R/a #19, Venkatappa Road, Tasker Town, Shivajinagar, Bangalore- 560051 declare that my correct name is **Charanjit. V.** in my Educational Records my name was wrongly mentioned as **V. Charanjit instead of Charanjit. V.** vide affidavit dated: 10.03.2020 before notary Prakash. C. Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SRINATH GOWDA K.C.,** S/o Chandrappa, age 37 years, R/a Flat No. 409, ELV Signature Apartments, Springdale Layout, Vijayanagar, Whitefield, Bangalore-66, Karnataka, India do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SRINATHA K.C.** to **SRINATH GOWDA K.C.**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **SRINATH GOWDA K.C.** only for all practical purposes, vide affidavit dated 20th June 2020, sworn before Advocate and Notary **M. KRISHNAMURTHY,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ANITHA D.,** W/o Rangaswamy, aged about 34 years, R/a No. 1553, 3rd Cross, Suggappa Layout, Yelahanka, Bangalore-64 do hereby declare that I have changed my son's name from **DIGANTH B.R.** to **SOHAN R.,** henceforth he will be known and called as **SOHAN R.,** only for all practical purposes, vide affidavit dated 20.06.2020, sworn before Advocate and Notary **K.C. SUBBU SWAMY** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **AFREEN ABDUL SATTAR ASHWINI**, Resident of No. 72, 4th Floor, Opp. RBR Residency, New Nehar Apts., 8th Block, Kormangala, Bangalore - 560 095, have changed my name from **ASHWINI SADANANDA GOUDA** to **AFREEN ABDUL SATTAR ASHWINI.** Vide affidavit dated 18-06-2020 sworn before Advocate & Notary C. Sharada, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **E. TAHAR HUSSAIN,** S/o. Mokthar Hussain, address at # 3-671, Bandla Street, Pileru, Chittoor District - 517 214, Andhra Pradesh, presently camped at Bangalore, hereby declare that my correct name is **E. TAHAR HUSSAIN** and same has been mentioned in all my records and documents. I state that I am holding a bank Account at ICICI Bank, Bangalore in which my name has been entered as **TAHAR HUSSAIN** instead of **E. TAHAR HUSSAIN.** Vide affidavit dated 20-06-2020 sworn before Advocate & Notary I. Kanikha Raja, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, KAMINI SINGH, W/o No. JC672192W, SUB/MT, MANOJ KUMAR SINGH, R/at Motipur Purani Bazar (Mahamadpur Balmi), Motipur, Motipur, Motipur, Muzaffarpur-843111, Bihar, shall henceforth be known as **KAMNI SINGH,** vide affidavit dated: 20.06.2020, before notary N K LAKSHMANA, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) GAGATOOR MOHAMMED SHEERIN FIRDOUSE, Residing at No. 23, 2nd A Main Road, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, Sultanpalya, Bangalore-560032, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) GAGATOOR MOHAMMED RAFFI SHEERIN FIRDOUSE** vide affidavit Dated 19/06/2020 sworn before Notary V.Rajashekhara, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, BINDULA BAY, M/o No. JC672192W, SUB/MT, MANOJ KUMAR SINGH, R/at Motipur Purani Bazar (Mahamadpur Balmi), Motipur, Motipur, Motipur, Muzaffarpur-843111, Bihar, shall henceforth be known as **VINDULA DEVI,** vide affidavit dated: 20.06.2020, before notary N K LAKSHMANA, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, PRATHAM BELLUDI, S/o Aravinda Belludi, aged about 18 years, residing at # 19, 2nd Main, Sharadamba Temple Road, Jalahalli, Bengaluru - 560 013, for all my practical purposes the said name **PRATHAM BELLUDI** is used and the name **PRATHAM BELLODI** is also related to me only. Sworn before Advocate & Notary Chandrakala, Vide Affidavit dated 19-06-2020.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Regulation 47 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ('LODR'), a Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company will be held on **Monday, 29th June 2020** inter-alia, to consider and approve Audited Financial Results of the Company for the year ended on 31st March, 2020. This information is also available on the Company's website: **www.maharashtraapex.com** and also on the website of BSE Ltd., **www.bseindia.com** and NSE Ltd., **www.nseindia.com.**

By Order of the Board
for **MAHA RASHTRA APEX CORPORATION LTD.,**

Place: Mumbai
Date: 19.06.2020

Sd/- **(J M PANDAY)**
COMPANY SECRETARY

UNION BANK OF INDIA,

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Ref: 688606680000008A Date: 19.06.2020

POSSESSION NOTICE

[RULE 8(1)] (for immovable property)

WHEREAS The undersigned being the authorized Officer of the **Union Bank of India, Jayanagar Branch,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice **dated 06.02.2020** calling upon the Borrowers **Chandrika M and M Murali Reddy** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice of **Rs. 44,86,060.00 (Rupees Forty Four Lakhs Eighty Six Thousand and Sixty Only)** and interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **19th day of June 2020.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India, Jayanagar Branch,** for an amount **Rs. 44,86,060.00 (Rupees Forty Four Lakhs Eighty Six Thousand and Sixty Only)** and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF SECURED ASSETS

All that part and parcel of Residential Property bearing No.201, "Uma Sanjeevani Residency', Lakshmi Nagar, 1st Main Road Opp. RBI Layout, J.P. Nagar, 7th Phase, Bangalore - 560078 Bounded On the East by: Open Space, West by: Common Corridor, North by: Open Space, South by: Open Space Between Flat No. 201 and 202.

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 19.06.2020

Sd/- Authorised Officer,
Union Bank of India

TUMKUR VEERASHAIVA CO-OP BANK LTD,

A.O. Dr. S. Radhakrishna Road, S.S. Puram, Tumkur - 572102,
Ph No. : 0816 - 2254394, Fax : 2254027, E-Mail : tvcbho@yahoo.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Properties)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Tumkur Veerashaiva Co-Op Bank Ltd.,** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the power conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued demand notices calling upon the following Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers to repay the amount mentioned in the notice with further interest / cost etc,. **within 60 days** from the date of the said notice. Details of demand notices such as date of issue and loan outstanding amount are mentioned against each borrower under.

1. **Name of the Borrowers / Mortgagers/Guarantors: (1). Mr. Manjunath D R** S/o Rangaswamy D H No.808, BSCC, 3rd Phase, 3rd Stage, Katriguppe, Bangalore-560085 Also at: No.4, 1st Main, Harijana Colony, Bangalore-560004 **Also at:** M S R Motors No.548/13, 14th Main, Hanumanthnagar, 50ft. Road, Bangalore. **(2). Mrs. Preethi** W/o Manjunath D R No.808, BSCC, 3rd Phase, 3rd Stage, Katriguppe, Bangalore-560085.
   Branch : Basaveshwara Nagar **Demand notice dated : 18.11.2019**
   Possession Notice Date : 15.06.2020
   Total amount mentioned in the notice: Rs.51,25,303/- (Rupees Fifty One Lakhs Twenty Five Thousand Three Hundred Three Only) as on **31.10.2019** and interest thereon.
   Description Of The Immovable Properties : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.4(New No.17), 1st Main Road, Harijana Colony, Goraguntepalya, Division No.2, Bangalore, now comes under BBMP Ward No.12, Site No.17, with PID No.12-62-17 (Old No.4) situated at 1st Main Road, Harijana Colony, Bangalore Comprising a 5 shops and a sheeted house, measuring East to West: 50 feet and North to South 45 feet, totally measuring 2250 sq. ft. Bounded By: East: Devaraju's House, West: Road, North: Others Property, South: Road.
2. **Name of the Borrowers / Mortgagers/Guarantors: (1). Mr. Manjunath D R** S/o Rangaswamy D H No.808, BSCC, 3rd Phase, 3rd Stage, Katriguppe, Bangalore-560085 **Also at:** M S R Motors No.548/13, 14th Main, 50ft. Road, Hanumanthnagar, Bangalore-560050 **(2). Mrs. Preethi** W/o Manjunath D R No.808, BSCC, 3rd Phase, 3rd Stage, Katriguppe, Bangalore-560085.
   Branch : Basaveshwara Nagar **Demand notice dated : 18.11.2019**
   Possession Notice Date : 15.06.2020
   Total amount mentioned in the notice: Rs.1,73,32,405/- (Rupees One Crore Seventy Three Lakhs Thirty Two Thousand Four Hundred Five Only) as on **03.06.2020** and interest thereon.
   Description Of The Immovable Properties : All that piece and parcel of Residential Property bearing No.548/B, Block, No.1, in Banashankari 1st Stage Extension, Bangalore formed by the City Improvement Trust Board (Now the Bangalore Development Authority) presently bearing Corporation Property No.37, 9th Cross, S.A.S (Sunkenahalli Adjacent Sites), Bangalore, in Bangalore Mahanagara Palike ward No.53, having Property ID (PID) No.53-54-37. Measuring East to West 42-0 feet and North to South 41-0+37-0 feet/2, totally measuring 1638 square feet., Residential building 8 squares along with RCC roofed house constructed thereon, having Red Oxide Flooring, doors and windows are made up of Jungle Woods, with all civic amenities like water, electricity and sanitary facilities. Bounded By: East: Road, West: Property No.548/A, North: Property No.549/A, South: Road.
3. **Name of the Borrowers / Mortgagers/Guarantors: (1).Mrs.Vijaya Basavaraj Hunasikatti** W/o Basavaraj Virupaksha Hunasikatti **(2) Mr.Basavaraj Virupaksha Hunasikatti** Both are residing at: No.129, "Pragathi", 4th Cross, 3rd Stage, Vinayaka Layout, Vijayanagar, Bangalore-560040 **Also at:** Site No.131, Sri Vinayaka, HBCS 2nd Stage, Nagarabhavi, Bangalore-560072.
   Branch :Basaveshwara Nagar **Demand notice dated : 31.12.2019**
   Possession Notice Date : 15.06.2020
   Total amount mentioned in the notice: Rs.1,14,57,826/- (Rupees One Crore Fourteen Lakhs Fifty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Six Only) as on 17.12.2019 and interest thereon.
   Description Of The Immovable Properties : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Corner Site No.131, Sy. No.78A-01 Gunte Sy. No. 17, 18/1 to 6, 20, 23, 30,31, 32, 36/1, 37, 64, 71, 95,96,97, 98, 112(19), 135 to 137(17), Sri Vinayaka H.B.C.S. Ltd., Nagarabhavi Village, Yehwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore District, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore. presently comes under BBMP limits, Measuring East to West 48+47.5/2 feet and North to South 60 feet. Bounded By: East: Road, West: Property No.129, North: Road, South: Property No.133 and 132.
4. **Name of the Borrowers / Mortgagers/Guarantors: (1). Mr. Prasanna S,** S/o Srinivas S, No.28, 2nd Main, 3rd Cross, Subbanna Garden, Vijayanagar, Bangalore-560040.
   Branch : Chamrajpet **Demand notice dated : 18.11.2019**
   Possession Notice Date : 15.06.2020
   Total amount mentioned in the notice: **Rs.1,07,26,390-** (Rupees One Crore Seven Lakhs Twenty Six Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Only) as on **01.06.2020** and interest thereon.
   Description Of The Immovable Properties : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Municipal No.28, BBMP Ward No. 35, Sy. No.368/2, 3rd Cross, PID No. 35-37-28, New 126-W0125-9. Marenahalli Layout, Subbanna Garden, (Kempapura Agrahara as per previous records), Bangalore. measuring East to West 72 feet and North to South 34 feet. Bounded By: East: Road, West: Property of Rajanna, North: Road, South: Property No.12.
5. **Name of the Borrowers / Mortgagers/Guarantors: (1). Mrs. Umadevi K** W/o Shiva Shankar **(2). Mr. Shiva Shankar** both are residing at No.1083/A, 3rd Cross, 1st Stage, 1st Block, Manasa Nagar, Nagarbhavi, Bengaluru-560072.
   Branch : R T Nagar **Demand notice dated : 11.03.2020**
   Possession Notice Date : 15.06.2020
   Total amount mentioned in the notice: **Rs.37,78,727/-** (Rupees Thirty Seven Lakhs Seventy Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Seven Only) as on 28.02.2020 and interest thereon.
   Description Of The Immovable Properties : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing BDA Site No. 1083, Municipal No.1083,Sy. No.50/2A and 50/4, PID No. 38/134-1083, Nagarbhavi 1st Stage, Bangalore. measuring East to West : 6.10 meters and North to South 9.10 meters, totally measuring 55.51 Sq. Meters. Bounded By: East: Property No.1084, West: Site No.1082, North: Charandi, South: Road.

The above borrowers / Mortgagers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers and the public in general that the under signed has taken possession of the properties described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said act read with the rule 8 of the said Rules on above dates.

The Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of **Tumkur Veerashaiva Co-Op Bank Ltd.,** for the amount mentioned against their names with further interest accrued thereon cost.

The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Date : 15.06.2020
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Tumkur Veerashaiva Co-Op Bank Ltd.,

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I AT BANGALORE
No.4, 1st Floor, 'Jeevan Mangal' (LIC Building), Residency Road, Bengaluru-560 025.

O.A. No. 1341/2019

Applicant: Punjab National Bank, Frazer Town Branch -V/s-
Mr. Sathish .H and others

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT No. 1 & 2 UNDER RULE 23 (VIII) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES 1993

Whereas, the Applicant has instituted an application under Section 19 of Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institution Act 1993 against the Defendants for recovery of a sum of **Rs. 1,14,95,547.61 ps** together with current and future interest, cost and other reliefs.

The below mentioned Defendants are therefore hereby directed to appear before the Tribunal in person or through advocate or any duly authorized agent in support of your defense and show cause within thirty days from the date of publication or on **20-8-2020** at 10.30 am (forenoon) as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand & the seal of this tribunal on this 9th day of June 2019.

By order of the Tribunal, Registrar, Debts Recovery Tribunal-1, Bengaluru.

To, **D1: Sri Sathisha H.,** S/o Hanumantharayappa, aged about 34 years, residing at No. 212, 4th Block, 9th Cross, Nandini Layout, Bangalore-560 096.

D2: Mr. Manoj Kumar S/o Ramji Prasad, No. 641, 19th Main, BSK 1st Stage, 2nd Block, Bangalore-560 050 ... **Defendants**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the general public that, my Client, **Smt. S.D. BHAGIRATHI** W/o Late Sri. P.A.Monnapa, aged about 85 years, presently r/at "Poojari House" Aravathoklu Road, Biligeri Village & Post, Madikeri Taluk, Kodagu District, PIN:571 201 and now have come down to Bengaluru and staying with her Son Sri.P.M. Ganesh, at No.390, 1st Floor, 7th Cross, 5th Main, N.G.E.F Colony, Mallathhalli, Bengaluru-560 056, is the absolute owner of residential property being a vacant site bearing **No.6,** Gramathana Khata **No.675/719B** situated at **Srigandhadakaval Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North taluk** and presently known as "Annapurneshwarinagar, Srigandhada -kaval, Bengaluru-560 091, measuring East to West 60-0 feet and North to South: 40-0 feet totally measuring 2400 square feet having purchased vide Sale deed **dated:10.03.1995,** registered as Document **No.12120/1994-95, Volume-5368, at pages: 108-111** of Book-1, in the Office of Sub-Registrar, Bengaluru North Taluk from Sri.Vaggappa and others.

My Client has lost/misplaced the said Original Sale Deed dated:**10.03.1995** as detailed above while going for taking Xerox **between 10.45 a.m. and 11.30 a.m.** on **2nd of March, 2020** near Jnanabharathi RTO Office, Mallathhalli, Bengaluru and the complaint has also been lodged with the concerned Police through on line on **18.06.2020** and the same has been registered at Sl.No. **825487** and Lost report **No.077406 /2020** dated: **18.06.2020.**

Anybody finds the said Original Sale deed dated: 10.03.1995 pertaining to above mentioned Vacant Site /property, the same may be handed over to the undersigned or to the Jnanabharathi Police, Bangalore-560 056. Further, it is also warned that if any charge is created on the said Site/ property basing upon the said original Sale deed despite of this notice, the same is not binding on my client and the said person/s is/are liable for criminal prosecution

(U.L.SOMAPPA)-Advocate & Notary
#708/41, Upstairs, Sree Ramanjaneya Road
Srinagar,Bangalore-560 050.**M:9448050108**

Place : Bengaluru Dated: 20.06.2020

Bank of India

Bengaluru Zone: #11, Kempegowda Road,
Bengaluru-09 Tel: 080-2295 9407/08, Fax: 080-22289054

E-AUCTION SALE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower and Guarantor that the below described immovable property mortgaged / charged to the Bank of India, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Bank of India, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **23.07.2020 at 11.00 am to 12.00 noon and 1.00pm to 2.00pm** for Recovery of **Rs.87,80,834.21** (Rupees Eighty Seven Lakhs Eighty Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty Four and Paisa Twenty One) along with further interest there on compounded with monthly rests and all costs, charges and expenses incurred and due to Bank of India from **Mr. Harish G** S/o. Late Gangaiah, No.53/1, 1st Floor, 5th Cross, 4th Main Road, Jayanagar, 1st Block East, Byrasandra, Bangalore-560011.

Reserve Price: 1) Vehicle 1: Rs.4,00,000/- (Rupees four lakhs)
2) Vehicle 2: Rs.4,00,000/- (Rupees four lakhs)
EMD: 1) Vehicle 1: Rs.40,000/- (Rupees forty thousand)
2) Vehicle 2: Rs.40,000/- (Rupees forty thousand)

SCHEDULE OF THE SECURED ASSETS:1) Hyp. Of EICHER vehicle (30.25FE), Regn no. KA01-AB 5248. 2) Hyp. Of EICHER vehicle (30.25FE), Regn no. KA01-AB 5258

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in IBA website i.e. **https://ibapi.in**

Date : 20.06.2020
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Bank of India

UNION BANK OF INDIA

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(A Govt. of India Undertaking)

Cantonment
21, Ulsoor Road, P.B.No.4221, Cantonment, Bangalore,
Karnataka - 560 042, Tel No.080-22959650,51

POSSESSION NOTICE

{RULE 8(1) OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002}
(for immovable property)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of erstwhile Andhra Bank, now **Union Bank of India,** under Securitization & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) & in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **3.3.2020** calling upon the Borrower **Shri. K MARIGOWDA** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.95,82,231.8** (Ninety Five Lakh Eighty Two Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty One and Eighty paise) and M/s.Panchalinga Dish Network represented by its proprietor Mr.K.Marigowda outstanding amount to be paid **Rs.21,98,422/-** totalling to **Rs.1,17,80,654/-** (Rupees One crore Seventeen lakhs Eighty Thousand Six hundred and Fifty Four Only.) within sixty days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers /Mortgagors/Guarantors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **18th day of June of the year 2020.**

The Borrowers attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section 13(8) of the Act in respect of the time available to redeem the secured assets.

The Borrowers/ Mortgagors/Guarantors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any such dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India** for the amounts due from the borrower(s) and interest thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

All that part and parcel of the property consisting of
1.Land and Building - Residential admeasuring approximately 1571.25 Sq.ft situated at Property Bearing Site No 23, Kengeri Town Municipality, Katha No 3852, Survey No 200/5, Bangalore and bounded by East : Property No 24, West : Property No 22, North: 25 Ft Road, South : K P H B Property.

Place : Bangalore
Date : 18.6.2020

Sd/- Chief Manager & Authorised Officer
Union Bank Of India

SIR M. VISVESVARAYA CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED

#109, Corporate Office, Shankarmutt Road, Shankarpuram, Bangalore – 560 004.
Web: www.vcb.co.in , Email: corporate@vcb.co.in, PH No.22956419 / 20

Dated. 03.06.2020

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF CHAPTER III OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002.

1. M/s.Golden Gate Properties Ltd, Regd. Office: "Golden House", No.820, 80ft Road, 8 th Block, Koramangala, Bangalore – 560 095. **represented by its Directors :- 2) Sri. C. D. Sanjay Raj,** S/o C. H. Devaraj, residing at: No.4, Benson Road, Benson Town, Bangalore- 560 046. **3) Smt. K. Krishnan,** S/o Karunakaran Nair, residing at: No.280, 1 st Floor, Serinity Appts., 4 th Main, 1st Block, Koramangala, Bangalore – 560 034. **4) Sri. P. V. S. Banu Murthy,** S/o P. Surya Prakash Rao, residing at: No.203, Rathanidhi Bapuji Nagar, Nacharam, Hyderabad. **5) Sri. Prathap Kunda,** S/o Satyanarayana kunda, No. 8-2-703/, Road No.12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad, Telangana - 500034.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Subject: Financial assistance sanctioned to you by Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Ltd. – Defaults committed by you in payment of installments of principal, interest etc.

We **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-operative Bank Ltd., Shankarmutt Road Branch, Bangalore,** had at your request granted you No. 1 to No.5 of you various Credit facilities by way of financial assistance on the terms and conditions contained in the agreement/s and document/s duly executed in favour of the Bank. The relevant particulars of the said credit facilities and the amount outstanding repayable by you are stated in **Annexure-I.**

As security for the said financial assistance you No 1 to No.5 have created security interest in favour of **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-operative Bank Ltd., Shankarmutt Road Branch, Bangalore** interalia, by way of Mortgage of immovable properties by executing necessary security Documents/agreements. The particulars of the secured assets are specifically mentioned in **Annexure-II.**

In terms of the agreements and documents entered into by you all with **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,** you were required to repay the principal amounts of the financial assistance in accordance with repayment as contained in the said agreements/ Documents and also to pay interest thereon at the rates and in the manner as stated in the said agreements and Documents. The operation and conduct of the accounts in respect of the above said financial assistance/credit facilities have become irregular and your debt has since been classified by **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,** as a Non Performing Asset on **30.06.2017** consequent to the default committed by you No.1 to No.5 in repayment of principal debt and interest thereon.

Accordingly in exercise of the powers conferred in terms of Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (hereinafter referred to as 'the said Act') **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,** declares that the aggregate amount of **Rs. 20,57,08,816/- (Rupees Twenty Crore Fifty Seven Lakhs Eight Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixteen Only) as on 31/05/2020** is immediately due and payable along with future interest.

In the premises we the **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,** hereby call upon you all jointly & severally to pay to **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,** within a period of 60 days from the date of receipt of this notice the aggregate sum of **Rs. 20,57,08,816/- (Rupees Twenty Crore Fifty Seven Lakhs Eight Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixteen Only) as on 31/05/2020** together with further interest thereon with effect from 01/06/2020 at the contractual rates together with costs, charges, other monies until payment or realization.

In case you fail to make the payment as aforesaid, **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,** shall be constrained to take recourse in terms of the provisions of the said Act against all or any one or more of the secured assets, entirely at your risk as to costs and consequences thereof. The powers available to **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,** under the Act include (i) power to take possession of the secured assets of the borrower including the rights to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realizing secured asset (ii) take over the management of the secured asset including the rights to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale and realize the secured asset and any transfer of secured asset by **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,** shall vest in the all rights or in relation to the secured asset transferred as if the transfer has been made by you.

In terms of the provisions of section 13(13) of the said Act, you are here by prohibited from transferring, either by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of your business), any of the secured assets as referred to in this notice without prior consent of **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,**

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets. This notice is issued in terms of Section 13(2) of the said Act.

The charges expenses incurred for taking the said action shall be met out of the sale proceeds and if the sale proceeds are found insufficient to satisfy the entire amount due to the Bank, for the balance amount, appropriate legal action as provided in Act will do taken against you, holding all of you jointly and severally liable to all costs and consequences thereof.

Please note that the above notice is issued without prejudice to such rights of the secured creditor to initiate any other legal proceedings/auction as deemed fit and necessary under the provisions of any other law for the time being in force.

Annexure-I

Sl No.	A/c No	Sanction Amount (Rs)	Amount outstanding as on 31/05/2020 repayable by you
1	TL9/19	13,00,00,000/-	**Rs. 20,57,08,816/-** (together with further interest thereon with effect from 01/06/2020 at the contractual rates together with costs, charges, other monies until payment or realization.

ANNEXURE-II (DESCRIPTION OF THE ENTIRE PROPERTY)

All that Piece and Parcel of the converted land belongs to Sri C D Sanjay raj bearing Sy. No.38, B B M P Katha No.4129, (Sy. No.38,39) situated at Kasavana halli village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now coming under BBMP Marathalli Sub-Diviision limits, measuring 2 acres and 35 Guntas and bounded on :-
East by : Sy. No. 12 and Channel, West by : Land bearing Sy. No. 39 and 40, North by : Land bearing Sy. No. 71/1, South by : K. Narayana Reddy's Land

Sd/- (Authorised officer)
Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Op Bank Limited

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, SMT. VEENA, aged about 45 years, wife of Sri. Ravikumar H. M., residing at: Koira Hosur Village, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, being the absolute owner in peaceful possession and enjoyment of the schedule property having acquired by virtue of sale deed dated 23/03/2017 from Smt. Rudramma & Others vide doc No.DNH-1-11449/2016-17 of Book – I, stored in CD No.DNHD634, SRO Devanahalli.

SMT. VEENA has approached my client SRI. N. P. MANJUNATHA, son of Sri. H. M. Patelappa, resident of : Managondanahalli Village, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and intends to sell the Schedule Property, subject to my client being satisfied regarding her clear and marketable title over the schedule property free from all encumbrances.

Any person who may have any right or interest in the Schedule Property or otherwise objecting to the sale may do so in writing to the undersigned within 21 days of this publication along with documentary proof failing which my client will proceed with the sale transaction where after no further claims will be entertained and /or the same will be deemed to have been waived or abandoned.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property being agricultural land bearing Survey No. 52/2 measuring 2 Acres 11 Guntas excluding 2 Guntas phot kharab - situated at situated at Managondanahalli Village, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, together with all rights, appurtenances, whatsoever underneath or above the surface & bounded on

East by : Veerabadhrappa & Anjinappa Land
West by : Jyothipura Ramanjinappa Land
North by : Thame Gowda Land
South by : Survey No.53/2

Contact: **Mr. SUNIL KUMAR SINGH B.**
Advocate
No.59, I Block, D.B. Sandra, V. R. Pura Post, Bangalore – 97. Ph: 99724 14799
Email : sks1112@gmail.com

Bank of Baroda

बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा Bank of Baroda
(A Government of India Undertaking)

Indiranagar Branch. VR Manor, 274, 100 Feet Rd, Binnamangala, Stage 2, Indiranagar, Bengaluru, - 560038, Phone: 080-25281006 Email: vjinba@bankofbaroda.co.in,

POSSESSION NOTICE APPENDIX IV under Act- Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the Authorized Officer of **Bank of Baroda, Indiranagar Branch, Bangalore** under the securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Sec.13(2), read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued Demand Notice dated **03.01.2020** calling upon the Borrowers/Mortgagor/Guarantor **1) M/s. Bartins Bar and Restaurant, Partner 1: Nayana S Madhav, Partener 2: Radha Madhav Murthy,** office at Milestone No. 1211, 100 Feet Road, Indira Nagar, Bangalore - 560038, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being under **Rs. 20,37,504/-**(Rupees Twenty Lakhs Thirty Seven Thousand Five Hundred and Four Only) as on **31.12.2019** plus interest from **01.01.2020** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers/Guarantor/Mortgagor of the property having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers/Guarantor/Mortgager of the property in particular and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the **16th day of June 2020.**

The Borrowers/Guarantor/Mortgagor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Bank of Baroda for an amount of **Rs. 20,37,504/-** (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Thirty Seven Thousand Five Hundred and Four Only) as on **31.12.2019** plus interest thereon along with cost.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All the Piece and Parcel of Equitable mortgage of Immovable Flat No. D-002, on Ground Floor, Corporation No. 1, Building known as "Ramky Utsav" Apartment, measuring a Super Built Up Area of 1355 Sq. Ft. with UDS of 730 Sq. Ft. with one car parking slot, situated at Seenappa Layout, Devasandra, Ward No. 100, Bangalore – 560094 and bounded by.Bounded on: East By : NGO's HBCS, West By : Gopichandra Property, North By: Private Property, South By: Road

Date : 16.06.2020
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Bank of Baroda

THE HOTEL INDUSTRIALISTS CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.,

Regd. Office: "Sahakara Sourabha", No.234, 2nd Cross, 4th Main,
Chamarajapet, Bengaluru - 560 018. Phone: 080-26678329, 26612482, 41277283,
E-mail: ho@hicbank.com, Website: www.hicbank.com

Tender – cum – Auction Sale Notice

AUCTION SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY UNDER SECURITISATION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002.

Whereas, the Bank has issued notice under Section 13 (2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 and in pursuant to and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (4) of the Act, the Authorised Officer, **The Hotel Industrialists Co-Op Bank Ltd, Chamrajpet Bangalore** has taken possession of the mortgaged properties including those more fully described hereunder, and the Bank has decided to sell the below mentioned property under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act read with the relevant rules of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrower	Description of Property and Boundaries & Measurement	Reserve Price and EMD	Balance Outstanding Amount to be paid to Bank	Date & Time of opening tender & place of auction
		DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY			
1.	**1) Mr. Venkatesh K N** S/o Late K N N Iyengar Office No.75, 2nd Floor, Dr. Rajkumar Road, 2nd Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore. Also at: 82/1, 1st Floor, Dr. Rajkumar Road, Bangalroe-560021 **2) Mrs. Kureti Vijaya Durga** W/o K Srinivasa Rao No.768, Begur Hongasandra, MICO Layout, Garvebhavi Palya, Bangalore-560058.	All that part and parcel of the Industrial Land Property bearing Plot No.181-B, Bommasandra Grama Panchayath Katha N.169/181-B, Bommasandra Industrial Area, formed in Survey No.270, situated at Bommasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, Bangalore-560099 and in measuring East to West (75.40+77.40)/2 meters and North to South (11.00+20.20) meters, in all measuring 1177.40 square meters. Bounded By: East: Plot No.178, West: Road, North: Plots Nos. 180 and 181, South:Private Land, Built Area: About GF=2099 sq. ft. with RCC Roofing	Rs.5,50,00,000/- (Rupees Five Crore Fifty Lakhs Only) EMD: Rs. 55,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Five Lakhs Only)	Rs.4,88,28,521/- (Rupees Four Crores Eighty Eight Lakhs Twenty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Twenty One Only) as on 31/05/2020	17/07/2020 at 11.30 AM EMD Date 16/07/2020 before 5.00 P M.
2.	**1) Mr. Santhosh J** S/o Joseph A **2) Mr. Joseph A** S/o Late Anthappa both are residing at No.124, St. Thomas Town, St. Anthony's Road, Kammanahalli, Bangalore-560084.	**Schedule 'A' Property: Item No.1:** All that piece and parcel of property bearing Municipal No.35, Portion of Site No.1, Old Katha No.1346, carved out of SY. No. 48, BBMP PID No.89-385-35, Ward No.89/29, situated at Anthony Road, Anthonappa Layout, Kammanahalli, Kacharakanaahalli Dhakle, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, presently comes under the Jurisdictions of BBMP, Bangalore, measuring East to West 50feet, North to South 35 feet and East to West 15feet, North to South 40 feet, in all measuring 2350 sq. ft. Bounded By: ast: Remaining portion of Site No.35 belonging to Sri. Santhosh Kumar, West: Road, North: Road, South: Property of Chowri Reddy. **Item No.2:** All that piece and parcel of property bearing Municipal No.35/1, portion of Site No.1, Old Katha No.1346, carved out of Sy. No.48, BBMP PID No.89-385-35/1, ward No. 89/29, situated at Anthony Road, Anthonappa Layout,, Kammanahalli, Kachakaranahalli Dhakale, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, presently this property comes under the Jurisdictions of BBMP, Bangalore, measuring East to West 30feet, North to South 35 feet in all measuring 1050 sq. ft. Bounded By: East: Private Property West: Remaining Portion of Site No.35, belonging to Sri. A Joseph North: Road South: Property of Chowri Reddy. **Schedule B: Property:** 276.35 Sq. ft. of undivided share, right, title and interest in the land comprised in the item No. 1 & 2 of "A" Schedule Property. **Schedule C Property: Item No.I:** A Two bedrooms Apartment bearing Flat No.201, on the First Floor having a Super built up area of 966 sq. ft. in the residential apartment building known as "BLUE VALLEY SUNSHINE" constructed on the item No.1 and 2 of "A" Schedule property, together with one reserved covered car parking space assigned in the stilt floor along with the right to use of common areas such as passages lobbies, staircase, lift and amenities contained on the item No.1 and 2 of "A" Schedule property. And apartment consisting of RCC roofed, built with solid bricks and cement plaster, Vitrified flooring panel doors and aluminum windows with other basic amenities. **Item No.II:** A Two bedrooms Apartment bearing Flat No.202, on the First Floor having a Super built up area of 1047 sq. ft. in the residential apartment building known as "BLUE VALLEY SUNSHINE" constructed on the item No.1 and 2 of "A" Schedule property, together with one reserved covered car parking space assigned in the stilt floor along with the right to use of common areas such as passages lobbies, staircase, lift and amenities contained on the item No.1 and 2 of "A" Schedule property. And apartment consisting of RCC roofed, built with solid bricks and cement plaster, Vitrified flooring panel doors and aluminum windows with other basic amenities. **Item No.III:** A Two bedrooms Apartment bearing Flat No.301, on the Second Floor having a Super built up area of 966 sq. ft. in the residential apartment building known as "BLUE VALLEY SUNSHINE" constructed on the item No.1 and 2 of "A" Schedule property, together with one reserved covered car parking space assigned in the stilt floor along with the right to use of common areas such as passages lobbies, staircase, lift and amenities contained on the item No.1 and 2 of "A" Schedule property. And apartment consisting of RCC roofed, built with solid bricks and cement plaster, Vitrified flooring panel doors and aluminum windows with other basic amenities.	Item No.1 Rs. 27,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakhs Only) EMD: Rs. 2,70,000/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Seventy Thousand only) Item No.2 Rs. 27,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakhs Only) EMD: Rs. 2,70,000/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Seventy Thousand only) Item No.3 Rs. 27,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakhs Only) EMD: Rs. 2,70,000/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Seventy Thousand only)	Rs.60,32,122/- (Rupees Sixty Lakhs Thirty Two Thousand One Hundred Twenty Two Only) as on 31/05/2020	18/07/2020 at 11.30 AM EMD Date 17/07/2020 before 5.00P M.

Terms and Conditions of Auction Sale: - (1) The Tender form can be collected from **The Hotel Industrialists Co-Op Bank Ltd., "Sahakara Sourabha" No.234, 2nd Cross, 4th Main, Chamarajapet, Bengaluru-560018. (Ph. 080-41277283)** on all working days during office hours. **(2)** The intending bidders should submit their bids in the prescribed tender form in closed cover along with EMD of 10% of the Reserve Price by means of Demand Draft / Banker's Cheque / Pay Order drawn in favour of **The Hotel Industrialists Co-Op Bank Ltd., Bangalore-** payable at Bangalore. The Demand Draft / Banker's Cheque / Pay Order shall be drawn after the date of publication of this Tender – cum – Auction Sale Notice. **(3)** Tenders not in the prescribed format will not be accepted. The tender along with the EMD shall be submitted at **The Hotel Industrialists Co-Op Bank Ltd., Bangalore**.Tender without EMD shall be summarily rejected. **(4)** The property "SHALL NOT" be sold below the reserve price. **(5)** In case the bidder is not successful the E M D amount shall be refunded without interest. **(6)** The EMD amount shall be liable for forfeiture without prior notice, if the successful bidder fails to adhere to the terms and conditions of the Auction Sale. **(7)** The sealed tenders will be opened by the Authorised Officer in the presence of the available / attending bidders. **(8)** After opening the tenders, the intending bidders may be given opportunity at the discretion of the Authorised Officer to have, intense bidding amongst themselves to enhance the offer Price. **(9)** The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the Sale Price (inclusive of EMD) immediately after the auction sale, on the same day, in Cash or Demand Draft and the balance of the Sale Price within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale. In case of default by the successful bidder, all the amounts deposited till then shall be forfeited without notice and the property shall be put for re-auction. **(10)** The successful bidder shall bear the statutory dues / taxes / charges / property tax / E B charges / water charges / conveyance charges such as stamp duty, registration fee etc. that is required to be paid in order to get the property conveyed in his favour, as per the applicable laws. **(11)** The Authorised Officer has absolute right to accept or reject any or all of the tender or/ bid / offer and / or adjourn / postpone / cancel the Auction Sale without assigning any reason, and also to modify an or all terms and conditions of the sale without prior notice. **(12)** The sale is subject to confirmation by the Bank. **(13)** The property can be inspected by the intending bidder between 10.00 AM and -5.00PM at his expenses at the address mentioned in the Schedule. **(14)** The property is put for sale on **"AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION" and "AS IS WHAT IS CONDITION".** The intending bidder shall satisfy himself about the title, ownership, statutory approvals, encumbrances etc. of the property.

For further details the intending bidders may contact the Authorised Officer, The Hotel Industrialists Co-Op Bank Ltd., Bangalore "Sahakara Sourabha" No.234, 2nd Cross, 4th Main, Chamarajapet, Bengaluru-560018, for ascertaining the details of property and also for inspection of property (Contact No.080-41277283) E-Mail:ho@hicbank.com

Date: 19.06.2020
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
The Hotel Industrialists Co-Op Bank Ltd.

Tamil Nadu tested 32,186 people for Covid-19 on Saturday, continuing its efforts to ramp up testing in the state. According to the state health department, TN has done the most testing in the country with 8,27,980 cumulative tests, followed by Maharashtra and Rajasthan

Flight cadets, who graduated from Air Force Academy in Hyderabad, take part in the Combined Graduation Parade on Saturday | S SENBAGAPANDIYAN

Forces well prepared for any contingency, says IAF chief

Bhadauria pays tribute to the 20 soldiers martyred at Galwan Valley

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Hyderabad

Air Chief Marshal RKS Bhadauria said on Saturday efforts are underway to ensure that the current situation between India and China is resolved peacefully but warned that the Indian defence forces are well-prepared and suitably deployed to respond to any contingency.

Air Chief Marshal RKS Bhadauria

The Indian Air Force (IAF) chief said this at the combined graduation parade of 123 flight cadets at the Air Force Academy, Dundigal, on the outskirts of Hyderabad. The cadets, including 19 women, graduated as officers of the IAF and would join various branches of the force.

At the outset of his address, the IAF chief paid tributes to the 20 soldiers martyred at eastern Ladakh's Galwan Valley, including Colonel Santosh Babu. He said Colonel Babu and his brave men made the supreme sacrifice while defending the Line of Actual Control (LAC) and demonstrated the resolve of the Indian defence forces in protecting the country's sovereignty.

"The gallant actions in a highly challenging situation have demonstrated our resolve to protect the sovereignty of our country at any cost. The security scenario in the region mandates that our armed forces remain prepared and vigilant at all times," he said.

He further said the recent development at the LAC near Ladakh is just a snapshot of what the defence personnel are required to handle at s hort notice.

Air Chief Marshal Bhadauria further said, "In spite of unacceptable Chinese action after agreements reached during military talks and resultant loss of life, all efforts are underway to ensure that the current situation at the LAC is resolved peacefully. But it should be very clear that we are well prepared and suitably deployed to respond to any contingency". "I assure the nation that we are determined to deliver and will never let the sacrifice of the braves of Galwan go in vain," he added.

Speaking to the media after the graduation parade, he said: "We are not at war with China but are fully geared up to meet any contingency arising out of the recent conflict on the LAC".

78 migrants from MP, Assam on wrong train

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

SEVENTY eight migrants from Chhattisgarh, Assam and Madhya Pradesh, who had boarded a wrong train from the KSR Railway Station to many states including Uttar Pradesh on June 18, have alighted in different parts of the country and NGOs are scrambling to help them.

This comes a day after 29 migrants, who were meant to reach Madhya Pradesh, landed in Uttar Pradesh on Friday.

The absence of proper information channels and the decision to reduce the number of registration centres for these labourers has led to such confusion, said volunteers. The train that 78 labourers boarded was to reach multiple states, including Jharkhand, Odisha, Bihar and UP.

Madhu Prasad, who volunteers with the NGO -- Bengaluru for Migrants, received a call at 3 am on Saturday from three migrants from MP saying their train was heading to Gorkakhpur. Another 25 migrants who were planning to reach West Bengal and Assam, and 50 passengers, who wanted to go to Chhattisgarh, were all wrongly seated in the train, she said.

Volunteers called up nodal officers, police and district administration officials in different states to help the migrants. Labourers heading to Chhattisgarh and MP were made to get down at Jhasurguda in Odisha. "Then, they were transported by a bus to Raigad in Chhattisgarh," she said.

Meanwhile, the three migrants (Krishna Patil, Rajkumar and Ashish), who wanted to go to Hoshangabad in MP, took a lift on a truck to Nagpur in Maharashtra and hope to go to their hometown, she said.

"The groups from West Bengal and Assam alighted at Barauni Junction in Bihar," she said.

"The Karnataka government should put up help desks at migrant registration centres to give proper information to these workers," she insisted.

BBMP Commissioner N Manjunatha Prasad said, "When the migrants are seated in buses, announcements are made about the buses taking passengers to a particular train and to a particular state. The migrants have not paid attention to the announcements and boarded wrong buses and trains."

'HELPLINE NOT WORKING'

Bengaluru: The BBMP helpline number to help migrants workers is inadequate and does not respond, alleged Bangalore for Migrants, a community to help the migrants. In a memorandum sent to N Manjunatha Prasad, Nodal Officer for Migrants on Friday, they stated that the numbers were misleading and neither of them has nothing to do with Shramik trains. The operators kept pressuring callers to register on Seva Sindhu app, the memo added. ENS

Migrant workers from Uttar Pradesh take a nap while they wait for their shuttle to Chikkabanavara Railway Station, at Palace Grounds in Bengaluru on Saturday | MEGHANA SASTRY

FESTIVAL BLUES

Shut down Puri to conduct Rath Yatra: Congress

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bhubaneswar

AS demand for recall of the Supreme Court order staying Rath Yatra in the State including the Jagannath temple at Puri intensified, the Odisha Pradesh Congress Committee (OPCC) on Saturday suggested that the Government should conduct the annual festival by declaring shutdown in the temple town.

OPCC president Niranjan Patnaik said if the Snana Purnima could be conducted in a disciplined manner on June 5, the State Government should take similar steps to conduct the Rath Yatra by engaging police and servitors without any devotees. "Government should take steps to conduct Rath Yatra so that the specialists will stop giving different suggestions during debates in news channels and media," he said.

Criticising the State Government for not taking a decision on such an importance issue at the right time, Patnaik said perhaps it did not want to take any risk of spread of coronavirus. "Lakhs of devotees congregate at Puri during the Rath Yatra. A minor slip could have led to a serious situation and entire country would have been affected. It is very easy to talk from outside," he said.

Endowments asks temples to go by SC ruling

The Commissioner of Endowments has asked the district collectors to enforce the Supreme Court direction staying Rath Yatra across Odisha.

The Supreme Court in its June 18 judgement directed that there will be no Rath Yatra at Puri or in any other part of the State this year. It had also directed that there will be no secular or religious activities associated with the Rath Yatra during this period.

The Endowment Commissioner said trust boards, executive officers and management of the religious institutions should not perform Rath Yatra and associated secular or religious activities as directed the by the SC.

Yoga in space experiment was inconclusive: Sharma

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ONE of the microgravity experiments – yoga -- that researchers in India were looking forward to when a national went up to space in 1984, was if this form of exercise to prepare 'space crews' for zero-G environment would serve as a good alternative to the Russian regimen.

The norm was to go by the Russian module of training, but two months before the space flight, Wing Commander Rakesh Sharma, the first Indian to have travelled to space in 1984, stopped all other systems of training, and just prepared the yogic method.

Sharma spoke to a group of space enthusiasts recently stating that yogic exercises were modified to condition the body to the zero-G environment. Sharma was tested for various medical parameters before the space flight. Results were compared with the parameters of Russian cosmonauts who continued to train as per their particular methodology.

Yet, the results remained inconclusive. Sharma said that the ample data was not statistically valid to come to conclusions. "Adaptation to space is subjective. Just like travel and air sickness, not everyone gets space sickness. Maybe I was one of the guys who would not get space sickness," he said.

"I had no problem adapting to zero gravity except for the usual problems and readapting at gravity. But so was the case with the more experienced Russian cosmonauts," he added.

As India prepares for its own human space flight mission, which, as per sources is likely to be in January 2022, researchers at AIIMS Delhi have been working this time around on a body suit that will allow astronauts to perform yoga in space.

Dengue haunts Covid-hit Hyd

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Hyderabad

WHILE Covid cases are soaring in the GHMC limits, dengue which had troubled the State in 2019, is casting its shadow again. Sources at the Hyderabad district health office say that there have been three dengue cases in the GHMC limits in June already. These cases are from Charminar, Khairtabad and Serilingampally which are also some of the worst Covid-affected areas.

"Dengue cases are much lesser this year at the moment, but all precautionary measures are being taken. There is an e-portal which links hospitals (private and government) to the GHMC entomology wing. There is an update every time a case comes up," said an official.

While three is still a small number, officials do not want to take any chances.

Kin worried about yoga instructors in China

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THERE are more than 500 instructors from Karnataka working at yoga institutes in China and neighbouring countries. Mysuru is home to a good number of instructors and institutes and has given popular yoga experts like B K S Iyengar, Pattabhi Jois and others.

With the Covid-19 pandemic, yoga is drawing Chinese people in droves as it helps improve immunity and breathing. The country has recovered from Covid-19 and people are moving without masks, Ramu observed.

But tension and anxiety is gnawing at the families of the yoga instructors too. Ramu's uncle Venkatesh said he has been in regular touch over the last three days. "I have advised him to keep a low profile and stay safe," he said.

"We pray that the tension will soon defuse and our kin are safe in China", said Das, a resident of J P Nagar, whose relative is in China. He said they had got in touch with Ramu too, as they were keen to know the ground situation and reaction of the people in that country.

There are also dozens of English teachers working in China, but many of them have returned on the Vande Bharat flights operated by the Indian government.

Vivekananda Yoga Education and Research Institute Director Ganesh Kumar said hundreds of students with post-graduate degrees in yoga and diploma certificates are working in China, Germany, Vietnam, the US and European countries. The Indian instructors are doing well in China and other countries as they are well paid and also their flight and visa charges are taken care of.

Ganesh said they are in touch with those working in China and other countries. He said they were initially worried about the spread of the Coronavirus and some had returned to India. However, a few others who are still in China are hopeful that normalcy will return and their families here are relieved of tension.

DISTRICT SURGEON, SNR DISTRICT HOSPITAL, KOLAR

Ph No. 08152-222035 e-mail : dskolar@gmail.com

No: SNR/Non Clinical/01/2019-20 Date: 18.06.2020

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

The SNR District Hospital, Kolar invites a tender through **e-Tendering** system under KTPP Act 1999 and Rules 2000 for Non Clinical Services, Outsourcing of Group D, Securities & Other Para Medical Workers for the financial year 2020-21. Details regarding specification, EMD, Terms and Conditions and other information is available in the tender document, which can be downloaded from the website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** from **18.06.2020 to 02.07.2020.** The eligible tenderers shall submit their e-tenders under e-Procurement platform for above mentioned tender. Further information if any may be obtained from this office.

Sd/- District Surgeon, SNR District Hospital, Kolar

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SOUTHERN RAILWAY

RAILWAY ELECTRIFICATION

Tender Notice No.RE/MS/S&T/OT/2020-2021/02 Dated: 17.06.2020

For and behalf of President of India, **Deputy Chief Signal and Telecommunication Engineer, Railway Electrification, Egmore, Chennai - 600 008** invites e-tender for the following works.

Bidders will be able to submit their original / Revised bids up to closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored and summarily rejected.

EMD and Tender Form Cost (TFC) are to be paid online through IREPS Portal **(www.ireps.gov.in)** and no manual payments will be accepted for these tenders.

Item No.	Name of the Work
1.	**Tender No.RE-MS-SnT-Tele-Gr-273-20-09 dt. 17.06.2020:** Telecommunication INDOOR work for "System Design, Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Optical Fiber Communication System along with SDH ADD/DROP MUX's (STM-4/16), Digital primary drop insert Muxes, and other associated equipments in DG-PGT, POY-PTJ sections of Madurai & Palakkad Divisions of Southern Railway to suit 25 K.V.AC Traction".

Item No.	Approximate Cost (in ₹)	Earnest Money Deposit (in ₹)	Cost of Tender Form (in ₹)	Closing Date	Completion Period
1	2,25,28,191/-	2,62,700/-	11,200/-	22.07.2020	8 Months

Detailed Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) and the tender documents are available in the website www.ireps.gov.in and the tenderers are advised to refer the same.

Deputy Chief Signal & Telecommn. Engineer, Railway Electrification, Egmore, Chennai - 600 008.

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DIESEL LOCOMOTIVE WORKS , VARANASI - 221004

NOTICE

No. DLW/D&D/Electric Loco/Vendor Directory Date : 18.06.2020

"Procedure for vendor development for purchased products of electric loco has been uploaded on DLW website www.dlw.indianrailways.gov.in after approval of PCEE. All concerned are requested to comment/give suggestions on email id: dycdetc@gmail.com within 15 days (i.e. till 30.06.2020)."

P.R.O./DLW/M-04 Dated : 20.06.2020 Dy.CDE-I

/diesellocoworks "Website :- www.dlw.indianrailways.gov.in"

BANGALORE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

T. Chowdaiah Road, Kumara Park West, Bengaluru - 560 020

No.: BDA/2020-21/EL/WORK_INDENT1426 Date: 20.06.2020

INVITATION FOR SHORT-TERM TENDERS

BDA invites short-term tenders for **Annual Maintenance of Streetlights & Other electrical distribution system and accessories at Sir M.V. Layout 1 to 9th Block for the year of 2020-21.**

Calender of Events:-

1. Period of Downloading the Tender Document from: **22.06.2020, 11.00 Hrs.**
2. Last date and time of submission by uploading the filled tender document is **13.07.2020, 17.00 hrs.**
3. Date and time of opening the tenders (Technical & Financial bid): **15.07.2020, 17.00 hrs.**

For more details: Please refer e-Procurement portal website: **http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** or contact at office of the undersigned. Phone No: **+91 9845630164.**

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Ele.)
BDA, Electrical Division Bengaluru.
BDA/PRO/TN/07/2020-21

KRISHNA BHAGYA JALA NIGAM LIMITED

(A Govt. of Karnataka Undertaking)

Office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL,

Dam Division, Almatti, Tq: Basavana Bagewadi, Dist: Vijayapur.

e-mail ID : dam_division@rediffmail.com, Phone No: 08426-281027

NO: KBJNL/DDA/DB/TND/2020-21/ 560-563 Dated: 18.06.2020

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through E-Procurement Portal Only)

On behalf of the Managing Director, KBJNL, Bangalore the undersigned invites tender on percentage basis from the eligible contractors for the work of **(1) Indent No. 17593 for Rs. 60.70 Lakhs. Call-3 (2) Indent No. 18739 for Rs. 19.05 Lakhs. Call-2 (3) Indent No. 19451 for Rs. 4.95 Lakhs.Call-2 (4) Indent No.19746 for Rs.32.79 Lakhs. Call-2**

The contractor can have access and submit e-tender from **19.06.2020 to 29.06.2020 up to 5:00 PM**. Cover-I will be opened on **01.07.2020 at 11:00AM** Cover-II will be opened on **03.07.2020 at 11:00AM** at the Office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL, Dam Division, Almatti.

For clarifications office of the undersigned may be contacted during office hours (Phone No. 08426-281027). Further information about electronic tendering can be had from **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

DIPR/Vijayapura/127/JA/2020-21

Sd/- Executive Engineer, KBJNL, Dam Division, Almatti

Government of Karnataka

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PUBLIC WORKS PORT AND INLAND WATER TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT DIVISION RAICHUR

Telephone No. : 08532-225778 & 234747

E-PROCUREMENT SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (KW-1,2,3 & 4)

1) Notification No & Date : PWD/RDN/TS-4/TN/2020-21/1109 Date: 15-06-2020 2) Name of work's : Raichur District Total 20 work's, Raichur, Manvi, Sindhanur, Lingasugur and Deodurga taluk Different types of roads, Building and other development works. 3) Amount of works : Min Rs. 699926.94 Max Rs. 22119821.52 4) EMD Amount : Min Rs. 8800.00 Max Rs. 332000.00, 5) Period (including Manson) : Min Rs 3 (Three) Months Max Rs. 6 (Six) Months, 6) Last Date and Time for Receipt of Tender : 25/06/2020 16:00:00, 7) Date and Time for Opening of Tender : 26/06/2020 16:30:00

For More details visit this website **https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

DIP/Raichur/158/MC&A/2020-21

Sd/-EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PW, P & IWTD Division, RAICHUR.

KARNATAKA STATE ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION

Civil Engineering Division, Tumkur - 572101.

No.KST:EE:TMK:JE:79:2020-21 DATE:19.06.2020

E-PROCUREMENT SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION 02/2020-21

Tenders are invited in E-Procurement mode from registered KPWD/CPWD/MES Contractors for the following work. Interested Contractors can register their names in the e-procurement cell and participate in the tenders. Tender Notification and further details for the work can be downloaded from **20.06.2020** free of cost from the e -procuremnt web site **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sl. No.	Name of the work	Amount put to tender (in Lakhs)	E.M.D	Last date for submission of tenders
1.	Redevelopment of KSRTC Bus Stand in Davanagere City Under Smart City Mission	9341.00	93.41 Lakhs	07.07.2020

More details can be obtained from the office of Executive Engineer, KSRTC, CE Division, Gubbi Kalakshetra Road, KSRTC Bus Station, Tumkuru during working hours on all working days.

DIPR/DDU/367/2020-21

Sd/- Executive Engineer KSRTC, CE Division, Tumkuru.

QuoteExpress **IF YOU'RE GOING THROUGH HELL, KEEP GOING** > WINSTON CHURCHILL

Sorrow is so easy to express and yet so hard to tell

Joni Mitchell

WHAT FOR SPACE PROGRAMME RESTRUCTURING?

SOME of the recent media reports project an alarming picture about the Indian space programme on its ineffectiveness to ensure industrial participation, and an idea of a possible restructuring to bring about more expansion has been floated. The public has the right to know the factual situation considering the evolution and growth of the space programme so far.

By any standards, ISRO is among the best performing government organisations which has not only mastered most sophisticated space technologies, totally indigenously, but also provided space missions in a timely manner, meeting the common man's requirements as well as security needs. It's the farsighted approach which has enabled India to get a front seat among the global space players. ISRO is a unique organisation, which is not only doing high-tech R&D but also developing applications for societal benefits like tele-education, tele-medicine, disaster management, agriculture, fisheries and infrastructure development. India had undertaken planetary missions to the Moon and Mars as well, not leaving out Indian constellation for navigation satellites. All these were accomplished in a shoe-string budget. India's annual space programme budget is slightly above $ 1 billion compared to about $3 billion of China and about $ 25 billion of the US.

G MADHAVAN NAIR
Former chairman of Indian Space Research Organisation

A lot of hue and cry is made on industry participation. Right from SLV3, ISRO's first satellite launch vehicle, onwards, industry had shared the production responsibility. Today, cryogenic engine is manufactured by industries. Nearly 60 per cent of ISRO's budget is spent through industry. The fact that ISRO's manpower is stable around 17,000 over the last two decades while the number of missions grew by a factor of ten is a proof of effectiveness of industrial participation in space activities. As a next step for enabling industry to take up full system realisation, a new entity, NSIL, was formed nearly a year back. Manufacturing of satellites, earth observation applications and navigation applications have enough scope for industry participation and opportunity for start-ups. But, large rockets are a difficult technology to master, having sensitive dual use applications and, hence, have to be closely guarded. Even in the US and other countries, secrecy and security norms are stringent in the launch vehicle sector.

The Space-X is marvelled as a success story in private space launch vehicle development. It is really so. But, let's look at history. After space shuttle failure and retirement, NASA was going rudderless on new vehicle development. Their industrial partners came up with a $5 billion project to provide a new launcher for manned mission. In fact, this was the opportunity Elon Musk captured on his personnel initiative. He did that extremely well over a ten-year period at one fifth the cost projected by NASA. If you study carefully, it is the mismanagement of NASA programmes which led to the success of a private player.

It is interesting to note the similarities between Space-X and ISRO. Both have a unified system under single command and under a single-roof design/production concept. Only very small items or parts available commercially are subcontracted. This is exactly what ISRO has been following all these years. Space-X claims that this is the single factor which led to cost cutting substantially compared to the NASA model. Now, let us look at the cost comparison. Space-X had spent nearly $ 800 million as development cost and offering launch at about $11,000 per kg. In India, GSLV Mk3 is of the same class, of course without booster recovery. Still our development cost was around $ 300 million and payload delivery cost is around $5,000 per kg, less than half of the US competitor. Space-X had captured nearly $ 1 billion orders. Can any Indian industry or start-up make use of this opportunity to get at least a $ 100 million business for launch even after developing a launch vehicle? Instead of crying foul all the time, industry should take up such challenges as done by Space-X.

ISRO is not behind anybody else in advanced technology. In the year 2009, a Vision-2020 document was prepared. It contained the development plan for two stages to orbit, recoverable and reusable launchers, human space flight, semi-cryogenic engines development, high-bandwidth communication satellites, radar and high-resolution multi-spectral imagery etc. But the UPA-2 had put off many of these activities. It was after PM Modi took over that the ISRO's plans were put back on track, including approval of manned space mission. Now, ISRO is roaring ahead with full steam on the newly approved plans.

This is the time in which lots of statements are made about structural changes in ISRO. Immediate question is, what for? All recognise that both Department of Atomic Energy and Department of Space have a unique structure of overall management by an empowered commission with full delegated powers. The special feature of this system is that both the commission and the department are headed by a carefully selected technocrat. This is the single reason that both are performing most efficiently. One can't expect perfection in all respect. If there are specific deficiencies, they have to be analysed and fixed rather than breaking up the top most performer based on false claims. All the noises by a few private players and start-ups are made without understanding Indian and global scenario. Perhaps one wonders whether vested interests are trying to demotivate.

WHY OUR RULERS LIKE PANDEMICS

POINT OF VIEW

T J S GEORGE

LET'S face it. The corona emergency that has dislocated our world will not go away any time soon. Before it does, it will have changed our ideas of life and living. Abandoning the usual practice of hugging friends to show our regards for them is merely an outward sign of the changes overtaking us. The very opposite of hugging, social distancing, is the new norm.

There is a political angle to the corona crisis which is more worrying. Any kind of crisis gives unlimited powers to ruling elites who, for that reason, welcome crises and emergencies. A national emergency helps elected leaders to turn into autocrats without attracting the stigma of autocracy. India's first two emergencies were necessitated by the China war (1962) and the Pakistan war (1971). But the Indira Gandhi emergency of 1975 was politics all the way through; she wanted to overcome a court ruling that made her election invalid. That emergency led to one man, Sanjay Gandhi, exercising power according to his whims. The present emergency, though not declared as such, gives the prime minister of the day the same privilege.

The temptation to exercise power beyond constitutional limitations is strong among politicians irrespective of party labels. The clever ones do it without attracting condemnation. China is a good example of this.

Today people in China can pretty much do what they please, including the airing of a fair amount of criticism of those in power. This flows from the perceptible improvement in the quality of life in China. Although the Government allowed prosperity to develop, it never gave up its police-state character. In Turkey, people are happily irresponsible if Nobel laureate Orhan Pamuk is to be believed. His forthcoming novel *'Nights of Plague'* says that "even during major plague pandemics, mosques in Istanbul conducted funerals, mourners still visited one another to offer condolences and tearful embraces." But, Turkey remains "the world leader in jailing journalists".

It is clear that countries do what they want but pretend to be otherwise. Typically, they have adapted themselves to social distancing. But is this not a reworking of our time-tested caste distancing? When it was a legally protected privilege, the caste system was rampantly misused. Inhuman punishments of the lower castes for presumed offences were all too common.

Originally, it was justified as a means to protect occupational skills and to identify people by the skills they cultivated. It became birth-based and discriminatory under the British policy of divide and rule. The privileged in India took advantage of colonial policies and turned casteism into an excusable practice.

I had once mentioned in this column my childhood playmate, Konnan. That was a contemptuous abbreviation of his name, Govindan. He was the grandson of a slave. Yes, a slave, a human being whom another human being could legally own in our village in those days. Konnan and I never understood the ramifications of the word as we played games. No one told us about it either. Clearly all discriminations, caste-wise or otherwise, are in the mind. If you feel it inside you, it is there. If you don't, it doesn't exist.

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The same applies to religious differences as well. Most of the time we hear about this religious group clashing with that religious group. Occasionally, we also hear heart-warming stories. The other day West Bengal's Imams' Association asked Muslims to donate their Zakat fund in such a way that household necessities could be distributed to the poor, whether Hindu and Muslim. In a Rajasthan district, Hindu youth arranged roza-iftar for Muslims admitted to the local hospital during Ramzan. Again, if you feel communal inside you, it is there, otherwise it doesn't exist.

Vayalar Rama Varma, an acutely sensitive poet, put it in words that were beautiful and fearsome at the same time. Man created religions / Religions created gods / Man, religions and gods together / shared the earth / shared the mind of man / We became Hindu, Mussalman, Christian / We became strangers to ourselves / India became a lunatic asylum.

Religion has become the most profitable business in the world today, money-wise and power-wise. That's one reason why communally oriented political parties do well in power games. Caste distancing may have acquired a fashionable face as social distancing. But the basics remain unchanged. If it takes a pandemic to create a political atmosphere favourable to the ruling class, they will welcome it. Life's unalterable principle is: The ruling class must rule on. If it is over the dead bodies of you and me, so be it.

RAHUL@50: LOOKING FOR POLITICAL REBIRTH

POWER & POLITICS

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FOR his sworn detractors, he is merely a bad political penny. But to their chagrin, he is set to return. As he turned 50, Rahul Gandhi is back with a vengeance. Striking here and there, speaking anywhere and everywhere, to anyone and everyone, the sixth generation Nehru-Gandhi scion is ensuring his ubiquitous visibility. For the past few weeks, his actions and utterances are quite indicative of his intent and intention, of challenging the Mighty Modi. His intention is to regain political relevance and credibility. For that, he has knocked at every door and explored all avenues. From sitting along the road side with distressed and stressed migrant labourers to Nobel laureates, global medical luminaries, outspoken industry tycoons and retired diplomats, Rahul has redefined his road map for his future political agenda. After a disastrous short stint as Congress president, he wants to learn by unlearning. His promoters have already drawn up a blueprint to re-launch him as a national leader who wants to change his party and restore to India its inclusive character. His spin masters are claiming that the Rahul of 2020 is a personality full of promise and performance.

He has been in active politics since 2004. During the past 16 years, he has traversed through various hills and valleys during his political yatra. His worst performance was when not only he lost his own Lok Sabha election, but couldn't win enough seats to ensure even the status of a recognised opposition party in the Lok Sabha. His past doesn't inspire any confidence in him. Congress, as usual, hasn't got out of the mindset of surviving without a Gandhi which ensures a pan-India recall. But there are many in the Congress who feel that Rahul is yet to acquire the qualities of a statesman who can offer any alternative leadership or a vision for India. While his great grandfather and grandmother possessed all the skills to manage a complex party like the Congress and an equally culturally and socially diversified India, Rahul sounds like an adolescent. Senior Congress leaders, who have individually won the states for the party, have even started assessing Rahul on various parameters. While none of them is willing to risk his or her career by openly questioning his leadership, they have defined a few necessary qualifications which Rahul must possess before he takes up the mantle again. These are:

Accountability: There seems to be a consensus that Rahul must develop a mindset in which he holds himself accountable for both success and failure. Normally, a great leader takes less credit for success and more for failure. But in the case of the Gandhis, it has always been the reverse. Rahul did own up to the responsibility for the party's debacle in 2019 and resigned. He also made a powerful statement against entitlement: "It is a habit in India that the powerful cling to power, no one sacrifices power. But we will not defeat our opponents without sacrificing the desire for power and fighting a deeper ideological battle. I was born a Congressman. As president of the Congress Party, I am responsible for the loss of the 2019 election. Accountability is critical for the future growth of our party. It is for this reason that I have resigned as Congress President." But he is on his way back without getting rid of those who were responsible for the Congress's defeat in many states.

Delegation: Success of a leader depends on the extent to which he or she delegates. When Rahul was Congress president, there were hardly any powers given to the chief ministers or the state party chiefs to change and choose their teams. Even a junior minister or district-level office bearer was chosen by the high command. Even the portfolios were decided in Delhi. Rahul hasn't given any indication or ideas as to how he would like to change the basis character of the party which is almost on the verge of total collapse. It is because of the excessive concentration of power at the top that the Congress as an organisation has almost vanished from many states. If the Congress won power under the leadership of the Gandhis, it also shrank beyond recognition under them.

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Flexibility: A strong leader survives longer if he listens most and speaks the least. Rahul is perceived as a person who is quite inflexible when it comes to his likes and dislikes. While Indira, Sonia and Rajiv were able to carry their adversaries with them, Rahul is yet to make peace with many senior Congress leaders. He made an attempt to create his own Congress but failed. With Congress still divided in various factions, Rahul doesn't seem to be the person who can ensure unity.

Connectivity & Confidence: Oratorial skills of a leader play the most important role in the success of any political party. Atal Behari Vajpayee could mesmerise his audience. Even Indira could connect emotionally. But Rahul is yet to develop as an effective communicator. Most popular Indian politicians have been powerful storytellers. Narendra Modi tells India the tale it wants to hear, of reinvention, of renewal, of looking even our strongest enemies in the eye, never mind the outcome. Rahul, in contrast, seemingly lacks authenticity. His struggles pale in comparison with those of the prime minister, and his dynastic roots seem to distance him from a young, hungry and angry new India. Forget the voters, Rahul hasn't been able to convey his idea of compassionate governance to his own party. Though Rahul sounds quite confident when he attacks the government, he is yet to display any expertise in rallying the party cadres behind him with energy or enthusiasm. Even after 16 years, Rahul is yet to prove he can win friends and influence people, let alone triumph in elections.

Integrity & Transparency: Finally, it is the impeccable integrity of any leader which carries conviction with both voters and cadres. However, it is the financial integrity which is more important. While the Congress party has been accused of many scams, no one has accused Rahul of personal involvement so far. He is, however, responsible for leading a party whose leaders are facing numerous investigations. Even if he is personally clean, perceptibly Rahul is seen as a leader who isn't capable of reining in corrupt elements. In addition, many feel that Rahul operates under a cloak of secrecy and his political management is not transparent.

According to Congress insiders it is a matter of time when Rahul assumes the Congress presidentship. But it would be more a testament to the need for feudal fealty that runs through the veins of Congress workers and less to his innate talent for politics. The informal rules of inheritance can deliver Rahul the throne, but the legitimacy of power can only come from the people. India needs an alternative leader with vision, mission and dynamism. Rahul 2.0 has to convince the country that he is its future. Being the bearer of one of India's most famous last names is not enough.

QUOTE CORNER

Words like green, sustainable, 'net-zero', 'environmentally friendly', 'organic', 'climate-neutral' and 'fossil-free' are so misused that they have pretty much lost all their meaning. They can imply everything from deforestation to aviation...

Greta Thunberg, environmental activist

From the very beginning, we have highlighted ... that we will not and must not and cannot interfere in the independence of our judiciary in this country. The Chinese authorities have directly linked the cases of the two Michaels to the judicial proceedings against Ms. Meng, which is extremely disappointing

Justin Trudeau, Canadian Prime Minister

Churches and cathedrals are also considering how they can address the issues raised by Black Lives Matter when it comes to monuments. This may include the alteration of removal of monuments, but this must be done safely and legally

Becky Clark, Church of England's director of cathedrals and church buildings

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Absurd, shameful statement

The statement on Kerala Health Minister Shylaja Teacher by KPCC president Mullappally Ramachandran is absurd, shameful and should have been avoided. Everybody knows the excellent performance by our Health Minister both at the time of Nippa and Covid 19. Her endeavour to contain Covid in Kerala is a remarkable achievement, which was widely welcomed by our country and even by the world. Political leaders must treat Covid situation unitedly supporting the goverment. The statement by KPCC president in absolutely injustifiable

Ravi Sankar, Kochi

Weighing our options

Your editorial calling upon to reduce the trade imbalance with China rather than imposing a full-fledged boycott of goods is wise and sagacious. It is a moderate way of expressing our displeasure and contempt China's treacherous action of attacking and killing 20 of our valiant army men. Although India's export to China accounts for only 3% of our total exports, it has been reported that that the country's demand is on the increase. If it is true, as suggested by in your edit, it would do well if only we try and reduce our imports, at least, of those goods which we already are producing. Considering the current mood of hatred in the mind of our people generated by the recalcitrant and arrogant stance of China on our border, it is not advisable to sit pretty dong nothing.

R Gopala Krishnan Nair, Kochuvattukulam

Uddhav's vaulting ambition

It is amusing to note the wish of Shiv Sena chief hoping that his party worker occupying PM's chair. He should first introspect about the performance of his government in Maharashtra. It is an open secret how his government is handling or rather mishandling corona in the state, which leads not only India but also some other nations around the world by its alarming increase in the rate of total cases as well as death. As such, Udhdhav's ambition of his party at the helm at the Centre is something alarming. There is nothing wrong in anyone's ambition but it should be realistic. This Uddhav seems to have failed to recognise.

VS Ganeshan, Bengaluru

Adopting digital for safety

The RBI panel's recommendation to levy fees for ATM withdrawals above `5000 has its welcome side that it will further boost digital transactions. But such a measure should be implemented only after readying the economy for that. Like any other thing that passes through human hands, currency notes can also be Covid carriers. So, RBI and government should spread the message that mobile payments is safer than using currency notes during the pandemic. This measure can be included in the safety protocol.

P Mangalachandran, Kannur

Saving every drop of water

Two weeks is too long a period to allow precious Cauvery drinking water going waste through pipeline in the central city for the citizens staying in the locality, but not for Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board. It is strange especially as saving every precious drop of water is the trend. Luckily, the response from BWSSB to plug the leakage at the earliest gives hope for the residents seems to be the solution in this regard.

VN Subramanyam, Bengaluru

Optimising available land

Do we really need 2,263.18 acres for the Sabarimala airport, when land is such a scarce commodity in Kerala? If only the government came out with details of how this large area is going to be put to use, one could get a fair idea as to why the government is so keen to acquire so much land when in fact an airport could be built with just 263.18 acres. A comparative analysis of the area used by other similar airports in Kerala as well as rest of India too would be helpful for the public to know how their tax money is being spent by the government for this airport.

Nebu George, Pottamkulam

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Rahul Gandhi @RahulGandhi
PM has surrendered Indian territory to Chinese aggression. If the land was Chinese - Why were our soldiers killed?

Akhilesh Yadav @yadavakhilesh
PM's statement on India-China LAC has confused people and why China is being given 'clean chit' in this statement?

Amit Shah @AmitShah
At a time when the entire nation is united, Mr Rahul Gandhi should also rise above petty politics and stand in solidarity

GALWAN CLASH

Oppn questions PM; says restore status quo at LAC

Congress says that the PMO's statement was 'clearly a lame attempt to obfuscate the truth', demands clarification

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

The Opposition took a dig at the PM and asked him to 'make up his mind first before' issuing a statement on Galwan stand-off | TWITTER PIC

THE Opposition parties on Saturday raised questions on PM Narendra Modi's remarks saying there was no intrusion by the Chinese in Ladakh during Friday's all-party meeting.

Raising questions on PM's remarks and the PMO's clarifications on Saturday, the Congress said that the statement was "clearly a lame attempt to obfuscate the truth".

First of all, PMO and the government need to clearly state their position on the Galwan Valley. Is Galwan Valley not part of Indian territory? Why is Government not coming forward and strongly rebutting the Chinese claim over Galwan Valley? If Chinese troops are present there, does it not amount to intrusion into and occupation of Indian territory? Also, why is the government silent on intrusions in the Pangong Tso area?" asked Congress spokesperson Randeep Singh Surjewala.

Earlier in the day, veteran Congress leader P Chidambaram reacted in a series of tweets, "PM said there is no foreigner (meaning Chinese) in Indian territory. If this is true, what was the fuss about May 5-6? Why was there a fight between troops on June 16-17? Why did India lose 20 lives?"

"If there was no intrusion by Chinese troops at all, what did the Corps Commanders talk about on June 6? Was it about the weather?" he asked.

> **If there was no intrusion by Chinese troops at all, what did the Corps Commanders talk about on June 6? Was it about the weather?** —P Chidambaram, Congress leader

For last couple of weeks, Congress has been trying to corner the government on the heightened conflict between India and China in the Galwan Valley ever since movement of Chinese troops began along the LAC in Ladakh.

Others Opposition leaders have also taken a jibe on the government in a similar way. CPI(M) leader Sitaram Yechury said, "What else did the PM say in the all-party meeting last evening which he did not mean? Can we trust anything that was said on an issue of such strategic importance, if he changes his statements so quickly?

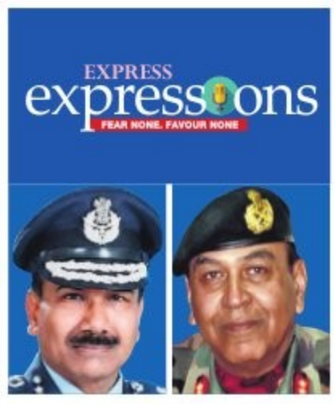
"Modi should first make up his mind and then speak, unless his attempt was to mislead all the political parties and weaken our position in diplomatic talks," he said in his another tweet.

Expressing his remarks, SP leader Akhilesh Yadav said, "The nation stands with the govt against Chinese incursions. But was the incident in which our soldiers were martyred an incursion? If not then why did MEA ask for status quo ante? Is the Galwan Valley Indian or not? We do not need clarifications. We need the truth."

Shiv Sena leader Priyanka Chaturvedi also sought the Centre's clarification.

'India will beat China if there is border war'

*Possibility of a limited border war with China cannot be ruled out but unlike 1962, there will be no decisive victory for the PLA, said **former Air Chief Arup Raha** while **Lt-Gen (retd) Syed Ata Hasnain**, former military secretary and 15 Corps Commander, said this is the time to show political consensus and not look for scoring brownie points over the issue. They were in conversation with **Prabhu Chawla, Editorial Director, The New Indian Express Group**, on TNIE's Expressions, a series of live webcasts with people who matter.*



Asked about the possibility of war, Air Chief Marshal (retd) Arup Raha said, "There is a possibility of localised border war which China cannot win. The use of air power will tilt the war. If at all it blows into a full war, the loss will be immense. We may go back by a few decades, but China will not become the number one for another 30 years."

Such military misadventure will seriously hurt China seriously globally at a time when the country's bullying, hegemonic behaviour in South China Sea and East China Sea has already dented its global image and reputation. Countries are pulling businesses out of China. If they continue like this there will be internal dissensions, Balkanization is very much possible, he added.

Explaining the reasons for China eyeing Indian territories in Ladakh, Lt Gen Hasnain said this is the area of where Pakistan and China can collude. This is the most vulnerable sector as the loss of Daulat Beg Oldie will be the loss of Siachen and Karakoram. "I don't feel it will go to that level," he added.

Talking about the all-party meeting, he said, "Out of the 20 parties, 18 were absolutely on board with the government and the other two also extended their support but put a lot of questions at the same time." He recalled how Indira Gandhi had got full support in 1971 and so did Atal Bihari Vajpayee in 1999 at the time of Kargil war. In 1994, when India was under intense pressure from the international community all political parties came together and passed a resolution. "We have a history of tremendous political consensus on issues of connected with national security," he said. But currently, "we have a situation where there is a very deep political ideological divide in India."

Political parties are looking for issues on which brownie points can be earned, some kind of pressure can be placed on the government while at the same time trying to project that they are supporting the government, he added.

Raha said the Chinese don't want India to build the strategic DS-DBO road and the Daulat Beg Oldi Advanced Landing Ground. They are trying to divert the attention of their public as they are facing distrust of not just the global community but from their people because of the mishandling of coronavirus spread. Also, they don't want India to cozy up to US, he added.

ACM Raha also pointed out that the Malacca and Sunda straits can be the strategic 'choke points' to block the supply chain of China.

Lt-Gen Hasnain added that to chok this route, "We will have to have the fullest capability and for this the US wants us to be part of the Quad" along with Japan and Australia.

Petition in SC over cancellation of Rath Yatra

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

JANARDHAN Pattajoshi Mohapatra, chief servitor at the Jagannatha Temple in Puri, Odisha, has approached the Supreme Court seeking recall of the top court's June 18 order which had barred holding of the *Rath Yatra* in view of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Stating that *Rath Yatra* has an unbroken tradition and is an essential practice of the Jagannatha temple which the temple administrators should mandatorily observe under all circumstance, the plea stated, "Any interruption in the observance of this mandatory religious practice affects the very sanctity of the temple and its future rituals as well as the faith of devotees across the world who understand and revere the significance of the Rath Yatra"

He in his plea suggested that instead of imposing a blanket ban on the Yatra, the festival can be held without public participation by imposing a curfew in Puri and closing the city borders and stated, "The court should be apprised that earlier, Lord Jagannath's Snan Purnima (bathing rituals) was also held smoothly without devotees on June 5. The court has not been appraised of this development."

In total three intervention applications have been filed so far in the case. The Rath was scheduled to commence this year on June 23.

Migrant workers wearing masks stand in a queue to receive food being distributed | PTI

Eye on poll-bound Bihar, PM Modi launches migrant-focussed scheme

MANISH ANAND @ New Delhi

WITH 32 of the 38 districts of the poll bound Bihar in the ambit, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday launched migrant-focussed ₹50,000 crore employment scheme, which would be executed in a flat 125 days in six states.

While the PM said that holding hands of the poor was the topmost priority for him at the outbreak of the pandemic and launch of the Atmanirbhar package, the BJP ruled states — Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh — have accounted for 87 of the total 116 districts where the Garib Kalyan Rozgar Abhiyan has beem launched.

Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar appeared much pleased with the launch of the scheme, as by the end of the 125 days period the state would be in the midst of spirited campaigning for the Assembly elections in which the Opposition is seeking to push the hardships faced by the migrants at the centre stage of the political discourse. Bihar alone, as Kumar said, has accounted for 20 lakh migrants who have returned to their respective villages.

Uttar Pradesh (31), Madhya Pradesh (25), Rajasthan (22), Odisha (4) and Jharkhand (3) are other states where the scheme would be implemented. The Centre had set the criterion of 25000 or more migrants in a district for selection under the scheme in which the government is aiming to execute 25 kinds of works being implemented by 12 ministries in a mission mode.

"The Atmanirbhar package was unveiled with the Pradhanmantri Garib Kalyan Yojna. I recall when we came up with the scheme there were much uproars about what would happen to the industries, the MSMEs, trades and that the government should first address their concerns. Many criticized me, but I knew that holding hands of the poor was my priority," said Modi during the launch through video conference from Telihar village in Khagaria, Bihar.

Modi said that the scheme was inspired from the story of a quarantine centre in Unnao, UP where the painter migrants from Bihar painted the school during their stay.

'India has never undertaken any actions across LAC'

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"On May 6, Indian border troops crossed LAC, trespassed into China's territory, built fortification & barricades, which impeded the patrol of Chinese border troops. They deliberately made provocations in an attempt to unilaterally change the status quo of control and management," Zhao had claimed.

Srivastava also dismissed Zhao's allegations that the Indian side was unilaterally trying to alter status quo and said the Chinese side had transgressed the LAC. "We do not accept the contention that India was unilaterally changing the status quo. On the contrary, we were maintaining it. Subsequently in mid-May, the Chinese side attempted to transgress the LAC in other areas of the Western Sector of the India-China border areas. These attempts were invariably met with an appropriate response from us," he said.

Zhao's accusations that the Indian troops had violated the June 6 commander-level agreement and attacked Chinese soldiers, was also rebutted, with the spokesperson pointing out that the Chinese side had departed from these understandings in respect of the LAC in the Galwan Valley area and sought to erect structures just across the LAC. When this attempt was foiled, Chinese troops took to violence on June 15 that resulted in casualties.

Srivastava reiterated that MEA S Jaishankar, in a telephonic conversation with his Chinese counterpart Wang Yi, had conveyed New Delhi's protest in the strongest terms. "He (EAM) firmly rejected unfounded allegations made by the Chinese side. It was for China to reassess its actions and take corrective steps," Srivastava said.

"The two ministers also agreed that the overall situation would be handled in a responsible manner, and that both sides would implement the disengagement understanding of June 6 sincerely," Srivastava added.

AFP

Confusion on PM's remarks gives China advantage: Experts

PUSHKAR BANAKAR AND MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

THE Prime Minister's Office (PMO) on Saturday in a clarification said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi's remarks at the all-party meeting that there was no Chinese intrusion into India was a consequence of action taken by the Indian Army, including the 20 soldiers who were killed in the violent face off at Galwan Valley.

"The government will not allow China to make unilateral changes at the LAC. What is Indian territory is clear from the map of India. This government is strongly and resolutely committed to that," the statement read.

Saturday's clarification came after a furore that Modi's remarks were seemingly in contrast to the stand taken by the external affairs ministry over the issue. "Neither anyone has intruded into our territory nor taken over any post. Our forces are doing what they have to do to protect the country. Our patrolling capacity has increased due to newly built infrastructure, especially along LAC," Modi had said at the all party meeting.

Military and diplomatic experts however say the prime minister's statement has caused confusion and shows India's weak stand against the Chinese.

A senior officer, on the condition of anonymity said, "I don't know what to say as this has obscured the actions going on at the LAC in Eastern Ladakh. He was not needed to say all this. With the clarifications things can get even more complicated and the MEA regarding the PLA's desire to raise a structure on the Indian side of LAC was already there."

A former diplomat, who did not wish to be named, said that the confusion over Modi's statement has handed China an advantage. "They can now parrot their narrative of not entering Indian territory with ease. The prime minister's words have only created confusion among Indians and also given credence to the Chinese narrative," he said.

An expert at the Institute of Chinese Studies Debashis Chaudhari said that though it feels like both sides want de-escalation but the damage has already been done. "Statements from both sides show that escalation is not an option. However, the damage was done on June 15 and the following two days. Instead of solving the issue at hand, the faceoff has given rise to a new dispute over the Galwan Valley. China, which hitherto did not claim the Galwan Valley is now claiming it. Military level talks are fine but the solution to this escalation can come only through diplomatic channels," he said.

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Covid effect: Centre may scrap CBSE exams, postpones NEET and JEE

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

AMID growing clamour that the remaining Central Board of Secondary Education examinations be cancelled and dates for crucial competitive tests for engineering and medical colleges across the country be postponed, the Union Human Resources Development Ministry is having a rethink and may announce the cancellation of the CBSE examinations early next week.

The ministry had announced last month that the remaining CBSE Class X and XII board examinations will be held between July 1 and 15. It had also said that the Joint Entrance Examination (Main) will be held in July 18-23 and the National Entrance cum Eligibility Test on July 26.

Sources in the ministry told the newspaper that after internal discussions, consultations have started with the Union Ministry of Home Affairs and the Health Ministry on the manner and dates for these examinations again.

PTI

"Many states are not in favour of conducting the CBSE examinations at all and have suggested that marking in the remaining papers be done on the basis of averaging of other papers and internal assessment done in schools earlier as calling students to examination centres amid rising number of Covid-19 cases can be very risky," an official said.

"In such a scenario, the ministry too feels that the board exams be cancelled and a final decision is likely by Monday," he added.

Officials also said Union Human Resource Development Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' had met Home Minister Amit Shah on Friday to discuss these issues and another meeting with Union Health Minister Harsh Vardhan is planned on Saturday evening.

Maharashtra, Delhi and Odisha have earlier asked the Centre to consider cancelling the CBSE examinations and the Supreme Court, too, had asked the CBSE to take a decision in this regard by next week.

"Considering that these tests are extremely important for lakhs of students looking for careers in medicine and engineering, not holding the examinations is not an option. But the question is how to hold the exams while ensuring minimum risk to the candidates and teachers," another official said.

A proposal that has emerged is that the NEET be conducted in both online and offline modes in a staggered manner so that crowding is avoided at examination centres.

ORDER

SC miffed over improper dress during hearing

NEW DELHI: Expressing displeasure over a lawyer who appeared in a virtual hearing in the apex court while lying on bed and wearing a T-shirt, Justice Ravindra Bhat observed that minimum court etiquette should be followed given the public nature of hearings.

The judge, however, accepted the apology tendered by the advocate, who said it was inappropriate on his part to make a court appearance, whilst lying on bed dressed in a T-shirt.

"We are all passing through trying times and hearings by virtual courts has become an order of the day. Yet minimum court etiquette in terms of what can be considered decent dress, background, etc should be followed, given the public nature of the hearings," the apex court said.

It was hearing a plea seeking transfer of a case pending in Rewari. *ENS*

RECOVERY RATE

During the last 24 hours, a total of 9,120 COVID-19 patients have been cured, taking the total number of recoveries to 2,13,830, according to a PIB release. The recovery rate is 54.13 percent.

541 COVID CASES REPORTED IN UTTAR PRADESH

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	37	26	Mumbai	32	27
Bhopal	34	24	Panaji	30	27
Jaipur	39	30	Patna	33	27
Amritsar	39	29	Lucknow	32	26
Chennai	38	29	Port Blair	31	27
Kolkata	33	27	Imphal	29	22
Srinagar	32	13	Chandigarh	40	28

14.5K NEW CASES

India's Covid count set to cross 4L today

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WITH a record 14,516 new coronavirus cases in 24 hours—highest in a day yet—India's total confirmed Covid-19 cases rose to 3.95 lakh on Saturday.

The toll mounted to 12,948 with 375 new deaths between Friday and Saturday morning. There were 168,269 active Covid-19 patients in India on Saturday. About 2.14 lakh people, or 54% of all confirmed cases, have recovered.

Although thousands of people are being cured of the infection each day, India is adding new cases at a faster pace. Since the start of this month, the country has recorded more than two lakh new cases, with Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Delhi, Gujarat and Uttar Pradesh being the five states that have seen the steepest rise in the pandemic curve.

Sources in the Union health ministry attributed the sharp rise in daily case count to a marked increase in the number of tests being conducted.

Delhi has started using anti-gen based testing kits that can produce reliable results within 30 minutes.

Of the 375 new deaths reported on Saturday, 42 were from Maharashtra, 66 from Delhi, 41 from Tamil Nadu, 27 from Gujarat, 23 from Uttar Pradesh, 11 from West Bengal, 10 each from Rajasthan, Karnataka and Haryana, nine each from Madhya Pradesh and Punjab, six from Bihar, four each from Andhra Pradesh and Jammu and Kashmir and three from Telangana.

A cause for concern is India's fatality rate, which has gone up from 2.9% a few days ago to 3.3% as of Saturday.

RS polls: Cong win a shot in the arm for Gehlot

Rajasthan CM kept MLAs insulated from horse-trading attempts

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

THE Congress victory in the Rajya Sabha polls has come as a shot in the arm for Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot, who was faced with a double challenge of internal squabbles in the party as well as alleged horse-trading attempts by the opposition BJP.

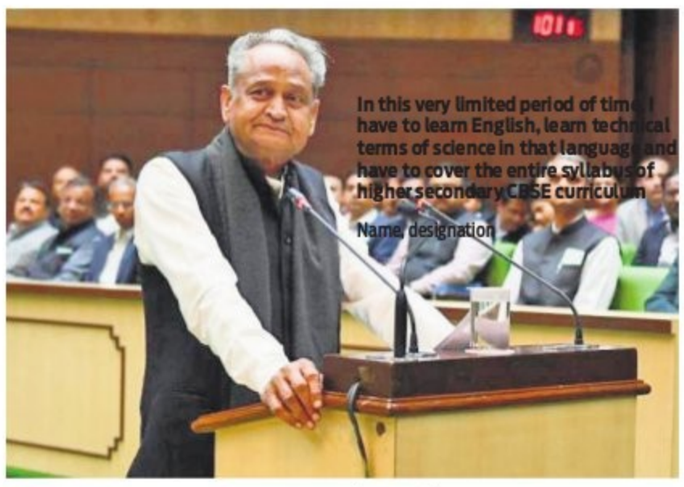
The Congress won two of the three RS seats from the state with Gehlot managing to get the support of all Independent, BTP and CPM MLAs, once again proving his political acumen and management.

Attacking the BJP after the results, he said, "Their conspiracy has been exposed as we had requested the MLAs to stay together. They broke away seven MLAs through horse trading in Karnataka. What happened in Madhya Pradesh and Gujarat is well known. But Rajasthan was able to escape that fate...This is a big victory for Congress politics in Rajasthan."

It was Gehlot's plan to get all Congress MLAs holed up at a resort to insulate them from the BJP's alleged horse-trading attempts without even letting his deputy Sachin Pilot know. A complaint was lodged and SOG investigation was initiated.

A complaint was also lodged with the anti-corruption bureau. CM himself stayed in the hotel for several days with MLAs and kept an eye on every event. All this, coupled with alleged phone call surveillance, made MLAs extra careful and they avoided taking unknown calls.

The BJP, meanwhile, sought to play down its loss. "We fielded a second candidate and made life difficult for Congress leadership. This is the first time the government has been scared of the opposition in Rajasthan," said Rajendra Rathore, Deputy Leader of Opposition.


In this very limited period of time I have to learn English, learn technical terms of science in that language and have to cover the entire syllabus of higher secondary CBSE curriculum
Name, designation

Manipur's titular king in RS, feels he can serve people

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @Guwahati

MANIPUR'S titular king Maharaja Leishemba Sanajaoba felt he finally got power that will help him serve his people.

"I have been the titular king of Manipur for 25 years but I had no power. Now that I have become an MP by God's grace, I feel it will help me greatly to serve my people. I always wanted to do something for them," Sanajaoba told this newspaper on Saturday.

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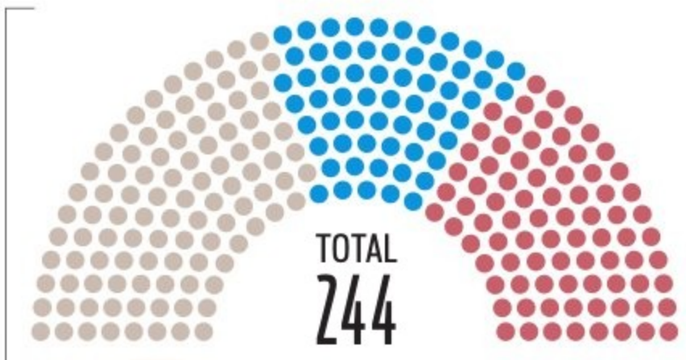
On a day that saw a high voltage drama surrounding Rajya Sabha election to the state's lone seat on Friday, Sanajaoba (48) of the BJP edged past T Mangi Babu of the Congress by four votes.

The Kingdom of Manipur or "Kangleipak Kingdom" was a princely state that was merged with the Indian Union in 1949. From 1949 to 1971, the royal family received a "privy purse" of ₹3 lakh per annum. Subsequently, the system was abolished. "All these 25 years that I have been the titular king, I couldn't do any work for my people. So, when the BJP approached me with a ticket, I couldn't reject the offer," Sanajaoba said.

The king had contested the election braving protests from civil society organisations which felt the king was stooping too low for an ordinary position. Some wanted him to abdicate the throne. He defended his decision. "Kingship is customary and I inherited it. People were divided on the issue of my contesting the election. Some wanted that I retain kingship. Some were opposed to my candidature. I feel very proud of my history."



NDA 101
UPA 61
OTHERS 82

RAJYA SABHA COMPOSITION

NDA	101
Bharatiya janta party (BJP)	86
Janata Dal (United) (JD-U)	5
Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD)	3
Pattali Makkal Katchi (PMK)	1
Republican Party of India (ATHAWALE) (RPI -A)	1
Lok Janasakti Party (LJP)	1
Asom Gana Parishad (AGP)	1
Bodoland People's Front (BPF)	1
Tamil Maanila Congress (Moopanar) (TMC-M)	1
Mizo National Front (MNF)	1
UPA	**61**
Congress	41
Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK)	7
Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD)	5
Nationalist Congress Party (NCP)	4
Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM)	1
Indian Union Muslim League (IUML)	1
Janata Dal (Secular) (JD-S)	1
Kerala Congress (Mani)	1
Others	**82**
Aam Aadmi Party (AAP)	3
All India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (AIADMK)	9
All India Trinamool Congress (AITC)	13
Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP)	4
Biju Janata Dal (BJD)	9
Communist Party of India (CPI)	1
Communist Party of India (Marxist) (CPI-M)	5
Samajwadi Party (SP)	8
Shiv Sena (SS)	3
Telangana Rashtra Samithi (TRS)	7
Telugu Desam Party (TDP)	1
Yuvajana Sramika Rythu Congress Party (YSRCP)	6
Nominated	4
Independents and other smaller parties	9

With the result of the latest round of biennial elections to the Rajya Sabha going in favour of the BJP by 8-4 vis-a-vis the Congress, the ruling party has further widened its gap with the main Opposition party in the RS. But the NDA, with its tally of 101, still falls short of simple majority in the 244-member Upper House and will have to depend on 'neutral' parties to get crucial legislations passed.

KEY BILLS THE BJP MANAGED TO GET PASSED DESPITE NDA NOT HAVING MAJORITY IN UPPER HOUSE

The Citizenship Amendment Bill, 2019: 125 voted in favour, whereas 99 voted against it. AIADMK, BJD, TDP, independents and YSR Congress voted in favour and BJP's estranged ally, Shiv Sena, abstained from voting in Rajya Sabha.

The Jammu & Kashmir (Reorganisation) Bill, 2019: 125 voted in favour and 61 were against and AAP, BSP, TDP, BJD, AIADMK and YSR Congress voted in support while TMC, JD (U) and NCP staged a walk-out from the House while PDP members were marshaled out. The Congress, DMK, MDMK, RJD, SP, CPM, CPI, Muslim League, Kerala Congress voted against it.

The Muslim Women (Protection of Rights on Marriage) Bill, 2019: The Bill was passed by 99 voting in support and 84 against. BJD supported it, NDA allies JD (U) and AIADMK walked out. Absence of some members of SP, BSP, Telangana Rashtra Samithi (TRS) and YSR Congress helped the Centre in passing the Bill.

BSF shoots down Pak spy drone carrying arms

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

THE BSF on Saturday shot down a Pakistani spy drone carrying arms and ammunition including US-made semi-automatic carbine rifle for militants along the International Border (IB) in Hira Nagar sector of Kathua district in Jammu and Kashmir.

Giving details, IG BSF Jammu NS Jamwal told reporters on Saturday that BSF men patrolling in the Pansar Border Outpost (BOP) area in Hira Nagar sector noticed a spy drone coming from the direction of Pakistani post Thakurpura at around 5.20 am.

"When it entered 200-250 meters inside this side of International Border and was flying at 150 to 200 feet from the ground, the patrol party fired at it and shot it down," he said. This is the first such incident in Jammu region.

The IG said during the search of the downed drone, a semi-automatic US-made M-4 carbine rifle, 2 magazines, 60 rounds and seven Chinese-made grenades were recovered. He added that the Chinese-made drone weighed about 17.5 kg and was carrying a payload of 5.5 kg.

The downed Pakistani drone, loaded with rifle and some grenades | PTI

It is the first instance when weapons have been recovered from a downed Pakistan spy drone. The IG BSF revealed that the drone had a winch mechanism with which the entire consignment had to be dropped to this side of IB and it had to fly back to Pakistan.

"They (Pakistan) had intention to create an incident here. A militant or OGW must have been present in radius of 1-1.5 km, who would have received the arms and ammunition," he said.

The IG BSF said the weapons were meant for some Ali Bhai as a chit with his name was also recovered. According to Jamwal, the downing of spy drone and recovering of weapons from it is a big achievement and "we have foiled a major incident".

Immediately after shooting down the drone, top police and security officials rushed to take stock of the situation.

A young woman performs yoga in New Delhi on Saturday | SHEKHAR YADAV

Ministries focus on yoga ahead of international event

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UNION Minister for Culture Prahlad Singh Patel urged people to perform yoga on International Yoga Day on June 21. Patel would perform yoga on the day at Purana Qila.

Patel posted a video message on social media and urged all to post their Surya Namaskar video by using *#10MillionSuryaNamaskar* & *#NamasteYoga* on social media platforms to make it a public movement. It would create awareness among citizens, he said.

Ahead of the International Yoga Day, the Ministry of Tourism also focussed on yoga in its 33rd session of the *Dekho Apna Desh* webinar series. The webinar Yoga and Wellness- 'An offering for challenging times' focused on the basics of yoga as a tool to help improve respiratory health and immunity of the body at the time of the pandemic. The *Dekho Apna Desh* webinar series is an effort to showcase India's rich diversity under *Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat* programme, according to the Ministry of Tourism.

In the webinar, Rishikesh was introduced as the world capital of yoga. Experts said yoga was a transformational experience for individuals looking for solutions for physical, mental, emotional and spiritual wellbeing.

EXPRESS READ

Chhattisgarh shifts nine IFS officers

Raipur: Chhattisgarh government removed the principal chief conservator of forests while also reshuffling eight other Indian Forest Service officers following the death of six wild elephants in the state in 10 days. The state government, upset over the recent death of tuskers, shifted Atul Kumar Shukla to the state research, training and climate change. A 1987-batch IFS officer PV Narsingh Rao replaced him. Two divisional forest officers were transferred.

Elgar Parishad probe shift challenged in Bombay HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Mumbai

TWO activists arrested in the Elgar Parishad case moved the Bombay High Court challenging the transfer of the probe from Maharashtra Police to the National Investigating Agency.

Contending the transfer order to be arbitrary, discriminatory, unjust and in violation of Articles 14, 20, and 21 of the Constitution, the petition filed by Surendra Gadling and Sudhir Dhawale sought quashing of the same.

Several human rights activists, academicians and poets have been charged under various provisions of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) in the case. The probe was handed over to NIA in January after NCP chief Sharad Pawar announced re-investigation following change in government in Maharashtra.

Contending that there was no compelling reason to transfer the investigation to the NIA, the petition stated, "The impugned orders are vitiated due to malafides and political expediency, as the transfer was undertaken by the central government after much delay and curiously immediately after BJP lost power in Maharashtra."

It further stated that the case was transferred after the investigation was completed by state police and a charge sheet filed. The probe being handed over at this stage would necessitate re-investigation, which is impermissible in law, it said. The order to transfer the probe is also against NIA Act given that the statute does not provide for empowering the central government to transfer a case after the investigation in the same has been completed and trial commenced, the petition avers.

Further, the transfer was initiated without seeking the leave of the court. All 11 accused in the case — Anand Teltumbde, Gautam Navlakha, Varavara Rao, Mahesh Raut, Vernon Gonsalves, Rona Wilson, Arun Ferreira, Shoma Sen and Sudha Bharadwaj, along with Dhawale and Gadling — are currently in jail.

Land, petrol pumps for martyrs' kin

The Jharkhand government has decided to give the kin of Galwan martyrs from the state a piece of land and also recommend their names to the Union Petroleum Ministry for allotting petrol pumps. Honouring martyr Ganesh Hansda, Chief Minister Hemant Soren said, "We are proud as well as distressed from within. The state government is with the kin of the martyrs at this time of grief." Hansda and Kundan Kumar Ojha, hailing from Jharkhand, were among the 20 soldiers who were martyred during the violent attack by China at the Line of Actual Control in Ladakh on June 17.

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RANCHI DIARY

Techies develop anti-viral nano-coating for clothes

Scientists at IIT (ISM) Dhanbad on Tuesday said they have developed silver nanoparticles that can be applied on clothes and other wearable materials to make them super-hydrophobic. This coating on clothes will destroy micro-organisms, like the novel coronavirus, that come in contact with them. A three-member team headed by Aditya Kumar conducted a successful research on the efficacy of the coating on E.Coli (bacteria) and A.Niger (fungus). He was assisted by Kalpita Nath and Poonam Chauhan. Tests on Covid-19, however, are yet to be conducted, informed a media cell official of IIT (ISM). They, however, are at the final stage of testing the coated cloth for its anti-viral property, specifically for Covid-19, they said.

Jail for spitting in public places

Spitting in public places may land someone in jail for up to six months in Jharkhand. According to a directive issued by the state Health and Family Welfare Department, warning people against consumption of tobacco products, especially pan masala and gutkha, "Spitting in public places will be a punishable offence which may lead to up to six months of rigorous imprisonment." All the concerned authorities, including police, in all 24 districts here have been asked to strictly follow the directive and maintain a vigil on consumption of tobacco products in public places, health officials said.

Mountaineer's Padma Shri award stolen

The prestigious Padma Shri Award of leading mountaineer Premalata Agrawal, the first Indian woman to conquer all the seven highest peaks across the globe, was stolen from her house. The burglars also took away ₹20,000 in cash, 15 silver coins, and two computer hard disks with them along with the prestigious Padma Shri Award. The incident took place when the mountaineer and her husband were away from their home and the burglars entered their ground-floor flat through a vent. Premalata, 50, became the first Indian woman ever to conquer the top peaks of all the seven continents, popularly called the 'Seven Summits' after climbing Alaska's McKinley Peak on May 23, 2013.

4.6 lakh deaths

linked to Covid-19 have been reported globally so far, as per John Hopkins University's virus tracker

GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	35	25	SNY	Los Angeles	23	15	SNY
Colombo	31	26	TDS	Melbourne	13	7	LR
Doha	42	30	SNY	Moscow	21	10	LC
Dubai	38	28	SNY	New York	26	19	LC
Houston	33	23	LC	Singapore	30	25	TDS
Istanbul	27	18	LC	Toronto	29	19	SNY
London	22	11	LR	Washington DC	28	20	LR

ROME

Pope hails Italy medical staff as heroes at Vatican

Pope Francis welcomed doctors and nurses from the virus-ravaged region of Lombardy to the Vatican on Saturday to thank them for their selfless work and "heroic" sacrifice. Francis told Italy's front-line medical and civil protection personnel that their example of competence and compassion would help Italy forge a new future of hope and solidarity.

HARARE

Zimbabwean health min arrested in Covid graft case

Zimbabwe's health minister was expected to appear in court on Saturday to face allegations of illegally awarding a multi-million-dollar contract for COVID-19 testing kits, drugs and personal protective equipment to a shadowy company. The country's anti-corruption agency arrested Obadiah Moyo on Friday as the scandal roiled the country.

FRANKFURT

German slaughterhouse virus cases exceed 1,000

Regional official Sven-Georg Adenauer in northwest Germany says the number of workers infected in a coronavirus outbreak at a slaughterhouse in Germany has risen to 1,029 from 803 reported a day earlier but there is no evidence of a "significant" spread into the community, according to *dpa*. Over 3,000 workers have been tested thus far.

WASHINGTON

US navy upholds firing of carrier captain in outbreak

Two senior commanders, Capt. Brett Crozier (pictured) and Rear Adm. Stuart Baker, on a coronavirus-stricken aircraft carrier didn't "do enough, soon enough," to stem the outbreak, Adm. Mike Gilday, the chief of naval operations, said Friday, a stunning reversal that upheld the firing of the captain who had pleaded for faster action to protect the crew.

MEXICO CITY

Iran's currency hits lowest value ever against dollar

Iran's currency has dropped to its lowest value ever at 1,90,000 rial for each dollar amid severe US sanctions. The Iranian currency has tumbled from a rate of 32,000 rials to $1 at the time of Tehran's 2015 nuclear deal with world powers. Last week, Senior Vice President Eshaq Jahangiri said that Iran's oil revenues have plummeted to $8 billion from $100 billion in 2011.

UNITED NATIONS

Gold from Congo going to armed groups: UN experts

UN experts say armed groups, criminal networks and some law enforcement agents in Congo are reaping vast sums of money from illegally exploiting gold and other natural resources and smuggling them to Uganda, Burundi, Rwanda, Tanzania and the UAE. The experts said it in a report to the U.N. Security Council obtained Friday by the *Associated Press*.

SAN FRANCISCO

Roaming mountain lion caught in US city

A young mountain lion that had been spotted sleeping in a planter box along a normally busy street and looking at his reflection in the glass of an office tower in downtown San Francisco was safely captured and released into the wild, officials said. The disoriented cougar roamed the streets for two days until he was spotted by a police officer.

TRUMP'S BID TO BLOCK PUBLICATION OF BOLTON'S TELL-ALL BOOK FAILS

Court ruling clears path for election-year readership of widely discussed memoir

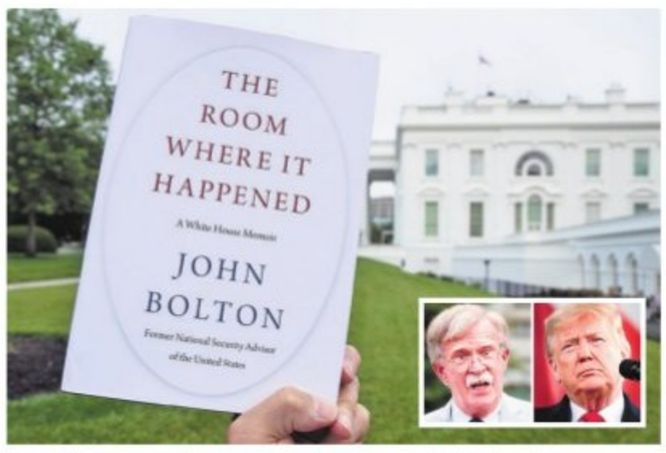
WASHINGTON

A federal US judge ruled on Saturday that former national security adviser John Bolton can move forward in publishing his tell-all book despite efforts by the Trump administration to block the release because of concerns that classified information could be exposed.

The decision from US District Judge Royce Lamberth is a victory for Bolton in a court case that involved core First Amendment and national security concerns. But the judge also made clear his concerns that Bolton had "gambled with the national security of the United States" by taking it upon himself to publish his memoir without formal clearance from a White House that says it was still reviewing it for classified information.

"Defendant Bolton has gambled with the national security of the United States. He has exposed his country to harm and himself to civil (and potentially criminal) liability," Lamberth wrote. "But these facts do not control the motion before the Court. The government has failed to establish that an injunction will prevent irreparable harm."

From a practical perspective, the ruling clears the path for a broader election-year readership and distribution of a memoir, due out Tuesday, that paints an unflattering portrait of President Donald Trump's foreign policy decision-making during the turbulent year-and-a-half that Bolton spent in the White House.



A copy of *The Room Where It Happened* is photographed at the White House. In the inset image, John Bolton and US President Donald Trump | AP

'Bolton will pay heavy price'

Soon after the ruling was released, Trump tweeted that Bolton "broke the law by releasing Classified Information (in massive amounts). He must pay a very big price for this, as others have before him. This should never to happen again!!!"

Bolton's lawyer, Chuck Cooper, applauded Lamberth for denying the government's attempt to "suppress" Bolton's book. Publisher Simon & Schuster said the decision "vindicated the strong First Amendment protections against censorship and prior restraint of publication."

While declined to halt the release of the book, Lamberth did suggest that Bolton may have left himself open to potential criminal prosecution by publishing classified information and that the government may succeed in trying to prevent Bolton from keeping proceeds from the book. *AP*

US attorney who probed Trump allies resists ouster

WASHINGTON

THE Justice Department moved abruptly Friday night to oust Geoffrey S. Berman, the US attorney in Manhattan overseeing key prosecutions of President Donald Trump's allies and an investigation of his personal lawyer Rudy Giuliani. But Berman said he was refusing to leave his post and his ongoing investigations would continue.

"I have not resigned, and have no intention of resigning, my position," Berman said. His statement came hours after Attorney General William Barr said Berman was stepping down.

The standoff set off an extraordinary clash between the Justice Department and one of the nation's top districts, which has tried major mob and terror cases over the years. It is also likely to deepen tensions between the Justice Department and Democrats who have pointedly accused Barr of politicising the agency and acting more like Trump's personal lawyer than the nation's chief law enforcement officer. The move to oust Berman also comes days after allegations surfaced from former Trump national security adviser John Bolton that the president sought to interfere in an Southern District of New York investigation into the state-owned Turkish bank in an effort to cut deals with Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan.

Geoffrey Berman, US attorney for the southern district of New York | AP

ASIA MATTERS

AFGHANISTAN

Kabul embassy fighting virus outbreak, says US

The US State Department says COVID-19 infections have been reported at its embassy in the Afghan capital and affected staff include diplomats, contractors and locals. The State Department did not say how many were affected. An official at the embassy in Kabul, who spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to brief the media, said up to 20 people were infected, the majority of them Nepalese Gurkhas, who provide embassy security. The infected are in isolation in the embassy while the remainder are being tested.

SINGAPORE

$14 bn investment in research planned

Singapore is setting aside more than S$20 billion ($14.3 billion) for research, particularly in health and biomedical sciences, climate change and artificial intelligence, *Bloomberg* reported, citing Deputy Prime Minister Heng Swee Keat.

PAKISTAN

Businessman arrested in US for role in Mumbai terror attacks

Pakistani-origin Canadian businessman Tahawwur Rana has been rearrested in Los Angeles on an extradition request by India for his involvement in the 2008 Mumbai terror attack in which 166 people were killed, according to the US prosecutors. Rana, 59, a childhood friend of David Headley, was recently released from jail on compassionate ground after he told a US court that he has Covid-19. He was rearrested in Los Angeles on June 10 following the extradition request by India, where he is a declared fugitive.

Brazil tally at 10 lakh; Beijing sees drop in new infections

BEIJING

AUTHORITIES in China appeared to be winning their battle against an outbreak in Beijing on Saturday, but in parts of the Americas the pandemic raged unabated. Brazil surpassed 10 lakh confirmed infections, second only to the United States.

Beijing recorded a further drop in cases amid tightened containment measures. Officials reported 22 new cases in Beijing along with five others elsewhere in China. There were no new deaths and 308 people remained hospitalized for treatment.

Brazil's Health Ministry said the total number of cases had risen by more than 50,000 from the previous day. President Jair Bolsonaro still downplays the risks of the virus after nearly 50,000 fatalities in three months, saying the impact of social isolation on Brazil's economy could be more deadly.

South Africa continues to loosen lockdown measures under economic pressure, despite reporting nearly 4,000 more cases on Saturday. Casinos, beauty salons and sit-down restaurant service are among the latest permitted activities as the country eases one of the world's strictest lockdowns. South Africa has about 30% of the virus cases on the African continent, or more than 87,000.

South Africa and Ethiopia both said they are recommending the limited use of the commonly available steroid dexamethasone for all COVID-19 patients on ventilators or supplementary oxygen. In a British trial, the drug was shown to significantly improve survival chances for the most seriously ill.

The WHO said that more than 150,000 cases were reported the day before — the highest single-day figure so far. *AP*

China backs conspiracy theories

Official media in China has helped fuel conspiracy theories about the coronavirus on the country's online platforms. Bill Gates, also accused by US far-right bloggers, comes under attack on Weibo, as does liberal investor George Soros. Even American Freemasons have been blamed. We take a look

GIVE A CONSPIRACY A FISH

Salmon imports from Norway have been shunned by Chinese after media reported the outbreak may have originated abroad and not locally, the *Financial Times* reports

Health officials pointed out that salmon outside the market where the outbreak was reported did not have the virus, but that fact has not stopped online users from believing the virus was transported to China through salmon

Both Wuhan and Beijing's outbreak started out in food markets. The initiator took advantage of such crowded places and careless mindsets. These terrible American Freemasons are determined to wipe out the Chinese

A post by a Weibo user Gufengdumian, cited by the *Financial Times*

PLAN-DEMIC

Dark forces guided by Bill Gates have created the novel coronavirus and the philanthropist hopes to make a killing from selling the vaccine — so runs the thinking among far-right bloggers in the US

An institute funded partly by Bill Gates was linked by a blogger to research into a different coronavirus, and then the online rumours began and have proven resilient to fact checks by Western media

Chinese social media has also seized upon the false rumour and is blaming him and famous investor George Soros

AP alters style guide to capitalise 'b' in Black

The Associated Press changed its writing style guide Friday to capitalise the "b" in the term Black when referring to people in a racial, ethnic or cultural context, weighing in on a hotly debated issue. The change conveys "an essential and shared sense of history, identity and community among people who identify as Black, including those in the African diaspora and within Africa," John Daniszewski, Associated Press' vice president of standards, said in a blog post on Friday. "The lowercase black is a color, not a person." The news organisation will also now capitalise Indigenous in reference to original inhabitants of a place. Daniszewski said the revisions aligned with long-standing identifiers such as Latino, Asian American and Native American.

RALLY AMIDST PANDEMIC

People wait to attend a rally with US President Donald Trump at the BOK Center on Saturday in Oklahoma, which is overwhelmingly Republican | AFP

Tens of thousands of people from many states are converging on Tulsa for an indoor rally and other campaign events on Saturday for Trump

Coronavirus cases have recently been skyrocketing in Oklahoma, and this rally may trigger a fresh outbreak. Very few supporters are wearing masks

China gets B'desh on its side by nixing tariffs

DHAKA

IN a bid to woo Bangladesh, China has provided a huge trade boost to the country by announcing tariff exemption for 97% of Bangladeshi products effective from July 1.

With this announcement, a total of 8,256 Bangladeshi products will come under the 97% of products that would be exempted from tariff.

Currently, 3095 Bangladeshi products enjoy duty-free access to Chinese market under Asia-Pacific Trade Agreement (APTA). With the new announcement, 97 % of Bangladeshi products will join this zero-tariff club from July 1 that raised the numbers of Bangladeshi products with zero duty access to Chinese market to 8,256, the report said.

HUGE TRADE DEFICIT

$14.68 BN
China-Bangladesh trade volume

$831 mn Export to China

$13.86 bn Bangladesh imports from China

(Source: 2019 data from Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industries)

During the Asian-African Conference which took place this week in Indonesia, Chinese president Xi announced that China will grant duty free market access for Least Developed Countries (LDC) 97% of the tariff lines within a year.

"[The move] will create more possibilities to minimise the trade deficit," Md. Obaidul Azam, an official at the Bangladeshi Commerce Ministry, told *Anadolu Agency*.

The tariff exemption is expected to help Bangladesh cushion the economic impact of the Covid-19 pandemic.

HOLY SITES

Saudi Arabia to reopen Mecca mosques today

RIYADH

SAUDI Arabia plans to reopen from Sunday mosques in Mecca, the holiest city in Islam, after they were closed for three months due to the novel coronavirus pandemic, state television reported.

The kingdom has taken restrictive measures against the virus, particularly in Mecca, but the number of new coronavirus cases has notably increased in recent days.

"The mosques in the holy city will begin to reopen their doors to the faithful on Sunday after three months of closure due to the coronavirus pandemic," the state-run Al-Ekhbariya channel reported, citing a decision by the Islamic affairs ministry.

Worshippers walk around the sacred Kaaba in Mecca's Grand Mosque, Islam's holiest site, on April 3. Saudi Arabia has over 1.5 lakh virus cases, including nearly 1,200 deaths | AFP

Some 1,500 holy sites are preparing to welcome visitors, the channel reported, showing footage of workers disinfecting floors and carpets.

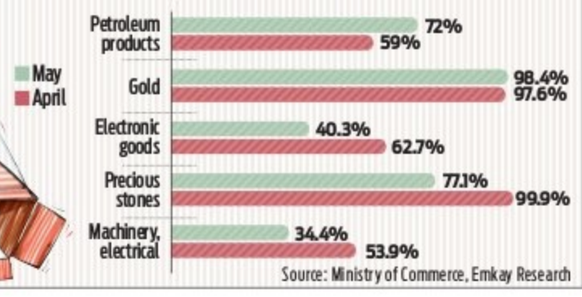
The decision comes weeks before the Hajj, the annual Muslim pilgrimage to Mecca.

While the Hajj is set to be held in late July, authorities are yet to announce if it will go ahead or be cancelled.

Outside Mecca, mosques elsewhere in the country reopened at the end of May, but with strict rules imposing social distancing and other measures. *AFP*

TRADE CONTINUED TO SUFFER IN MAY

Compared to exports, the decline in imports was broad-based. Total imports fell 51 per cent in May as compared to 58.6 per cent in April on slight recovery in percious stones. Here's a look at the major contributors to India's imports:



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EXPRESS READ

RESULTS CORNER

STATE-RUN PNB NARROWS Q4 LOSS TO ₹697 CR AS BAD LOANS EASE

New Delhi: Punjab National Bank (PNB) has narrowed its standalone net loss to ₹697 crore in the fourth quarter ended March 31, due to lower provisioning against bad loans. The second largest public sector lender had posted a loss of ₹4,750 crore in January-March period of 2018-19. Total income during the quarter rose to ₹16,388.32 crore from ₹14,725.13 crore in the year-ago period. Addressing reporters, PNB managing director S S Mallikarjuna Rao said the bank has done the cash recovery of ₹10,000 crore during the ongoing fiscal, while containing the fresh slippages to ₹20,000 crore. Bad loans came down to 5.78 per cent.

COVID-19 RELIEF

MUMBAI-BASED GLENMARK LAUNCHES DRUG FOR MILD COVID-19

New Delhi: Glenmark Pharmaceuticals Saturday has launched antiviral drug Favipiravir, under the brand name FabiFlu, for the treatment of patients with mild to moderate Covid-19 at a price of about ₹103 per tablet. The drug will be available as a 200 mg tablet at a MRP of ₹3,500 for a strip of 34 tablets, it said. FabiFlu is the first oral favipiravir-approved medication in India for the treatment of Covid-19, the company added. "Considering a minimum of two strips per patient, Glenmark will be able to manufacture FabiFlu for about 82,500 patients in the first month itself," Glenmark chairman and managing director Glenn Saldanha said.

APPOINTMENT

DISNEY+ HOTSTAR INDIA APPOINTS SUNIL RAYAN AS PRESIDENT, HEAD

New Delhi: Disney+ Hotstar India, the video streaming services owned by the media major Star has appointed Sunil Rayan as president and head of it. Rayan has over 20 years of experience, and prior to this, he was working with Google as the managing director for Google Cloud for Games. He would report to Uday Shankar, president of The Walt Disney Company APAC and chairman of Star and Disney India. According to Walt Disney Company APAC President Uday Shankar said, "Sunil is an exciting talent with global accomplishments and I'm excited to have him lead the talented Disney+ Hotstar team".

NEWSCOPE

Hopefully, it will soon be business as usual with CHINA

GURBIR SINGH

WHAT started as a skirmish over violation of 'undefined' portions of the line of control (LAC) between India and China in Ladakh's Galwan Valley, has degenerated into a full scale political crisis. Deaths of brave soldiers are difficult to stomach, and in a wave of nationalistic hurt, economic retaliation is the call.

As this column is being written, the Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India (DFCCIL), a Ministry of Railways PSU, has terminated a contract for signaling and telecom equipment awarded to Beijing National Railway and Research Group. The gear for use in the Kanpur region of the railway system had a contracted cost of ₹471 crore.

Chinese companies, Huawei and ZTE, both under a cloud for their alleged 'snooping' links with the Chinese government, will now be barred from providing any telecom equipment to state-run phone companies. The ban may also be extended to private mobile phone firms. Chinese participation in 5G tenders in India have been in doubt for a while; but now the Centre is also considering scrapping 4G telecom tenders for Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd (BSNL) to keep the Chinese companies out. On the import front, the government has indicated it is reviewing a list of 371 products that will face import restrictions here on.

Can we do without them?

The sentiment of 'Boycott-Chinese-goods' is running high, but the irony is the WhatsApp campaigns are being run on cell phones made in China. It is okay as an expression of anger to break Chinese made television sets. But in the long run, these campaigns have little effect as US car makers have learnt to their dismay. Some of us will remember funny images of Ford and Chrysler sponsored events in Detroit, where members of the public were invited to bash a 'Toyota Corona' and some Korean models with sledge hammers.

American nationalist sentiment poured out as sweaty, suit-clad executives smashed Japanese cars. But this did not translate into sales of US-made cars. American families continued to buy cheaper and more fuel efficient Japanese cars. The marketplace is emotion neutral. It has no place for nationalism; calculations are based on what is cheaper and better. So it is with China. It will be difficult to replace them unless we are ready to bear the economic cost.

It is not without reason that China's imports and exports grew from $280.9 billion or three per cent of global trade in 1995 to $4.6 trillion or 12.4 per cent in 2018, ahead of the US at 11.5 per cent and Germany at 7.7 per cent. In respect to India, China is our second largest trading partner after the US, with bilateral trade between April and December 2019 amounting to a humungous $64.96 billion. While exports are just three per cent, imports from China have continued to rise from 13.7 per cent in 2018-19 to 14.1 percent in 2019-20.

The range includes everything from toys to engineering goods, electronics, pharmaceuticals and auto components.

MONEY MATTERS

3% India's total exports to China during 2029-2020

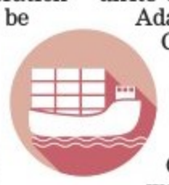
14.1% Total imports to China, up from 13.7% in 2018-2019

$4.6 trillion Value of China's imports and exports of goods in 2018

TAPAS RANJAN

Supply chain domination

China, in the global supply chain, has become an exporter of intermediate products that are crucial to the manufacture of scores of finished goods in the electronic, auto, pharmaceutical and power generation industries. This cannot be wished away.



For instance, Bloomberg Research has shown that 70 per cent of India's imports of active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs) – the base drugs from which various formulations are made – come from China. This totals $2.4 billion of India's $3.56 billion annual import spends. Almost all our Vitamin B12 supply and the important antibiotic Tetracycline are imported from China.

Chinese firms share of the Indian solar power generation market is about 78 per cent. Even in thermal, coal based power generation, Chinese equipment has dominated the private power plants. About 40,000 MW of thermal power units covering Essar Power, Adani Power, Reliance and GMR Energy, have used Chinese equipment, Central Electricity Authority data shows.

In consumer goods, China remains the world's largest manufacturer of mobile phones, computers and television sets, producing over 90 per cent of cell phones (1.8 billion units), 90 percent of computers (300 million units) and 70 per cent or 200 million television devices in 2018. India's purchase of these goods is close to the international ratio. As we said earlier, the marketplace is ultimately a function of price combined with quality. It's not love of the Chinese that we buy from them. The day local producers can supply better power plants, and cheaper cell phones, consumers will shift in a jiffy.

The larger lessen is that war and diplomatic face-offs between nations undermine economic growth in the long run. What will happens to hundreds of Indian start-ups like PayTM, Big Basket and Byju's who are funded by Chinese investors like the Alibaba Group and Tencent Holdings?

Trade and investment have their own rules which don't follow national boundaries. One therefore hopes the face-off with China will be seen as a skirmish it is, and business as usual is restored.

SOARING FUEL PRICES TO DENT AUTO DEMAND

Analysts fear sales may dip by nearly 50% in first half of the current financial year

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

PETROL and diesel prices in India have witnessed the steepest spike on Saturday — the 14th consecutive day of price hike that has pushed fuel rates to record highs. Experts say, this spurge could dent demand for automobiles in the near future.

"Rising fuel prices may further delay purchasing decision of consumers. Consumer sentiments have remained low since the past 4-5 quarters now, which is evident in the falling auto sales numbers across segments — both two-wheelers and four-wheelers. However, the former performed marginally better," said Vahishta Unwalla, Research Analyst at Care Ratings.

Petrol and diesel on Saturday was retailed at ₹78.88 a litre and ₹77.67 per litre, respectively in Delhi. When crude oil prices touched record low in March, the government had hiked excise duties by a record ₹10 per litre for petrol and ₹13 per litre for diesel. Since then, global crude prices have gone up, but still below the pre-Covid levels.

Given that household expenditure is steadily dipping, consumers may not wish to further elevate their expenses in this scenario amid fears of job losses and falling income. Rising fuel prices, Unwalla said, is likely to act as a key pain point for the automobile sector in the short term, she added.

Due to the shutdown of automobile dealers in large markets for almost 30-40 days amid the coronavirus outbreak, the first quarter of FY21 will be the worst-hit, say analysts. Many fear that sales may dip about 50-60 per cent in the first half of the current fiscal.

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Vahishta Unwalla, analyst, Care Ratings

"Rising oil prices, pressure to boycott Chinese imports and most importantly slowdown challenges post Covid-19 are surely weighing in on our future plans. Rising oil prices not only impact consumer sentiments but also makes logistics and supply chain more expensive," said a senior executive of a Japanese automobile company. India's automotive industry is highly dependent on China for import of parts. A curb on the same may dent operations of Indian auto manufacturers. "Due to the growing tensions between India and China, the auto sector fears future sourcing of raw materials as China remains one its top suppliers," Unwalla said.

Amazon, BigBasket get nod for liquor delivery

BISMAH MALIK @ Bengaluru

WITH revenue-sapped states keen on pushing alcohol sales, e-commerce firms are playing to the gallery by foraying into liquor delivery. After online food delivery majors, Swiggy and Zomato announced alcohol home delivery service in Jharkhand and Odisha in May, now Amazon and Alibaba-backed BigBasket have joined the bandwagon.

Both the firms are reportedly foraying into alcohol delivery in West Bengal after receiving regulatory approvals from the West Bengal State Beverages Corporation, the authorised agency mandated for the online liquor sale in the state. Although the emailed queries sent to both Amazon and BigBasket did not illicit any response, the nodal agency in West Bengal has already furnished a list of companies authorised to carry our delivery of alcohol and includes both Amazon and BigBasket.

E-tailers are eyeing this space at a time when the state governments are also keen on pushing the liquor sales as the excise duties from alcohol sale contributes significantly to the overall tax revenue.

After the re-opening of liquor stores across the country, shops have witnessed huge spike in sales, which led to the respective state governments imposing higher duties on alcohol to rev up revenue.

In states like Karnataka, Chattisgarh, Himachal Pradesh and Rajasthan, the alcohol sales post lockdown have infact contributed more than 20 per cent of the total tax revenues of each of these state, according to a Fitch report. The report mentioned that among states' own tax earnings, the state excise (mainly liquor) is the third-largest contributor for tax revenue apart from SCGST and VAT. The states are expecting to earn nearly ₹2 lakh crore as total tax collection from alcohol sales in 2020-21. The e-commerce firms will subsequently have to work with respective state agencies for complying with the guidelines as well as licensed liquor traders to facilitate a smooth alcohol delivery system.

VIKRAM PAWAH TO HEAD BMW GROUP INDIA

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

GERMAN luxury car maker BMW on Saturday appointed Vikram Pawah as the president of BMW Group India effective August 1, 2020, in addition to his current role as chief executive officer of BMW Group Australia and New Zealand.

Vikram Pawah

The appointment of Pawah comes almost two months after the demise of its previous India head Rudratej Singh (46).

"In April 2020, the sudden demise of Rudratej Singh, President and CEO created an unprecedented situation at BMW Group India. Since then, Arlindo Teixeira, chief financial officer, has been carrying out the role as acting president," the German automaker said in a statement.

Pawah has been with the BMW Group since 2017, when he joined BMW Group India as the president. Pawah brings excellent preconditions to navigate BMW Group India in a challenging business situation.

Lockdown sees India's crude oil imports crash to lowest since 2015 in May at 22.5%

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE sharp fall in fuel demand in India over April and May has resulted in a steep decline in its crude imports, with May recording the largest year-on-year fall since 2005 at 22.5 per cent.

At 14.6 million metric tonnes (MMT), May oil imports were also the lowest in terms of volume since 2015, according to data released by the Ministry of Petroleum's Petroleum Planning and Analysis Cell (PPAC).

India had imported 18.86 MMT in May 2019. April had been the month which experienced the most stringent lockdown, beginning March 24, and resulted in a proportionately massive demand contraction in transport fuels.

Petrol consumption went from 2.51 MMT in February 2020 to 2.15 MMT in March to a multi-year low of just 0.97 MMT in April. Diesel—the primary fuel for road freight transport—saw demand go from 7.16 MMT in February to 5.65 MMT in March to just 3.25 MMT in April—down by 55.6 per cent compared to April 2019. However, with lockdown relaxations, fuel consumption began clawing its way back. Petrol demand rose to 1.76 MMT and diesel to 5.5 MMT during the month—still nearly 36 per cent and 25 per cent lower than May last year, sharply rising compared to April.

But, crude consumption has trended differently, falling by a larger margin in May. Imports fell by a lesser 16 per cent in April compared to a wider 22.5 per cent in May.

Business & Beyond

Balmer Lawrie signs MoU with Kerala Tourism

Balmer Lawrie, a market leader in corporate travel management signed an MOU with Kerala Tourism Development Corporation (KTDC). Balmer Lawrie Travel & Vacations through this agreement will now offer accommodation facilities to all its institutional and retail customers at KTDC star hotels including heritage properties at attractive and discounted tariffs in Kerala.

Indian Bank distributes essentials to tribal people in Tiruvallur

Devaraj D (GM-CCD) and Zaphia Fareed Thottathikudiyil (GM - Inspection and Control), Indian Bank handed over rice bags and other essential commodities to the tribal people of Medur and Avrivakkam villages in Tiruvallur District under its CSR activities. Indian Bank is the first organisation to reach the village for assistance. In Medur, nearly 86 families and 220 families in Avrivakkam were benefited.

AIBOC moots uniform guidelines in banks

The All India Banks Officers Confederation (AIBOC), the largest bank officers' body with 2.5 lakh membership covering 85 per cent of the market, has shot off a letter to Indian Banks' Association seeking uniform guidelines in PSU banks amid the pandemic for the safety of employees. It has sought entire hospitalisation expenses of infected employees and their family members to be borne by the bank, including the cost of PPE kits, payment of ₹50 lakh as compensation to the legal heirs in case of death and that banks need to make arrangements with hospitals at select cities and towns for undertaking Covid-19 testing of its employees.

Bridge & Roof mourns loss of former MD Subrata Ray

Subrata Ray (April 27, 1937 - June 5, 2020) was a former managing director of Bridge & Roof Co. (India) Ltd. Under Ray's leadership, the following structures came to life - Salt Lake Stadium (Kolkata), Science City (Kolkata), Netaji Subhash Airport (Domestic Terminal), Madras Atomic Power Station in Kalpakkam. Ray also diversified in Turnkey & EPC projects, construction of roads & highways, among others. RAY also guided Bridge & Roo during his tenure for marketing & execution of the works. One of the most memorable events was the Bridge & Roof centenary celebration he attended in January.

Akshaya Pvt Ltd unveils IKEA furnished houses

Akshaya Pvt Ltd has brought a unique opportunity for its homebuyers in Chennai where they can have their homes furnished with IKEA products. The real estate developer will offer homebuyers a better lifestyle experience with their future homes coming equipped with solutions from IKEA. As part of this offer, Akshaya will present a choice of twelve packages by IKEA to homebuyers and offer the flexibility of organising their living. Buyers of 2BHK and 3BHK flats will aso get free IKEA furnishings worth ₹4 lakh and ₹5 lakh, respectively.

Mortaza tests positive, in self-isolation at residence

Former Bangladesh captain Mashrafe Mortaza has tested positive for Covid-19. Mortaza was reportedly unwell for the last couple of days. He is currently in self-isolation at his residence. Former Bangladesh cricketer Nafees Iqbal, elder brother of ODI captain Tamim, has also tested positive.

Dealing with it

Following the Galwan Valley stand-off in which several Indian soldiers lost their lives, the BCCI has called a meeting of the IPL governing council next week to review sponsorships. A look at what is at stake and possibilities...

MAJOR EXISTING DEALS

Vivo bought IPL's title sponsorship rights for five years, for `2,199 crore in 2018. BCCI gets `440 crore annually.

Chinese multinational conglomerate Tencent has stakes in Dream 11, a co-sponsor of IPL.

Chinese e-commerce giant Alibaba holds stakes in Paytm, the umpire partner in IPL.

Tencent also has stakes in Byju's. Not associated with IPL, Byju's sponsors the Indian team.

OPTIONS FOR BCCI GOING FORWARD

1. Don't cancel Vivo's IPL deal. There is a compensation clause and BCCI may have to pay a hefty amount if the association is terminated. Looking for another sponsor with little time in hand is another headache.
2. Cancel the deal and go to the next highest bidder. But this will be a new problem because the next highest bidder was Oppo, another Chinese company. The amount quoted by Oppo was significantly less as well.
3. Cancel the deal and invite fresh bids for title sponsor. This can be a time-consuming process. Also, the bid amounts may not match the existing one, considering the global economic downturn caused by the pandemic.
4. Don't do anything now and wait for instructions from the central government. If the government issues a directive against having ties with Chinese companies, do likewise. Else, let the existing deal continue.

NOTE

Ending partnerships with Chinese companies is easier said than done. Other than cricketers and badminton players, several Indian sportspersons either endorse or use Chinese products. A whole lot of sports equipment used in the country is made in China. BCCI apart, the Indian Olympic Association has a deal with sports goods maker Li-Ning.

Home so near, yet so far

Back in Aizawl, lifter Lalrinnunga yearning to be with family, who live five minutes away from quarantine centre

FIROZ MIRZA @Chennai

WHEN he boarded a flight for Aizawl on Wednesday, Jeremy Lalrinnunga knew he wouldn't be able to rush home immediately after landing in the Mizoram capital.

The weightlifter knew there was a mandatory quarantine period to be completed before he could reunite with his family after almost two years. But the 17-year-old was so homesick that he accepted the offer.

"I boarded a flight from Delhi and reached Aizawl via Kolkata. I was tested for coronavirus at the airport and brought to the sports training centre here," the 2018 Youth Olympic champion said.

The centre is about five minutes from his home but given the Covid-19 protocols Jeremy has to follow, he cannot visit his parents and brothers. "My aunt stays in the vicinity. My parents and brothers come to her place every day so that they can see me. I cannot go out but I see them and talk to them maintaining the prescribed distance," added the 67kg weightlifter.

Jeremy Lalrinnunga flew from New Delhi to Aizawl on Wednesday

Jeremy is stationed in a room on the ground floor, while the warden of the centre stays on the second floor. "I am the only one quarantined here at the moment. The warden provides food and basic stuff. Basic needs are not a problem as my family lives nearby. I wanted to live in the comfort of my home but I cannot do that unless I am declared infection free."

He is waiting for the test result, but even if it comes negative, Jeremy might have to complete 14 days in self-isolation. "I am not sure as somebody was saying that the quarantine period can stretch up to 22 days. At the moment, it is 14 and I have no problem serving it."

Before undertaking the journey, Jeremy had told his father Lalneihtluanga to shift his weightlifting equipment to the centre. "Sports Authority of India provided me the equipment including barbell, weights and movable wooden platforms. All those were shifted to the centre before my arrival so that I could continue training," he said.

The teenager is doing physical exercises in the morning and light weightlifting in the evening. "I keep my coach Vijay Sharma updated about my routines. If I face difficulties, I send videos seeking his response. Anyways, we trained in Patiala during lockdown to keep fit. I am looking at the positive aspect and confident that I can continue preparing for the Olympic qualifying event."

Jeremy got a month's leave to rejuvenate himself. After 14 days of quarantine, he will get around 15 days to stay with his family before returning to Patiala and serving another 14-day quarantine period. But he is looking forward to spending quality time with his near ones before returning to his rigorous training regime.

LATE DRAMA

Brighton's Neal Maupay (C) scores his side's winner past Arsenal goalkeeper Emiliano Martinez in the 95th minute of their EPL match at AMEX Stadium, Brighton, on Saturday. The hosts won 2-1. The Watford-Leicester and Tottenham-United clashes ended 1-1 | AFP

EXPRESS READ

BFC sign Brazilian striker Cleiton Silva

BENGALURU: Bengaluru FC, on Saturday, announced the signing of Brazilian Cleiton Silva on a one-year deal, with the club having the option to extend it by another year. He also became Blues' first new foreign signing of the season. The 33-year-old has played for clubs in China, Mexico, Brazil and Thailand. His most impressive spell came for a Thai club, Muangthong United, scoring an impressive 57 goals in 79 appearances. Silva, who was in talks with the Blues last season before the deal didn't materialise, said he was glad to have finally made the move. "I've signed with Bengaluru FC because I want to be a champion and this is a club that is always after titles. I have that opportunity once again at BFC. I want to make the club and its fans happy. I have been following the club for some time now, because we were in talks a while ago. And I liked what I saw," the player said.

ON TRACK

Trinidadian relay star helps out locals back home with groceries

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN
@ Chennai

THE last few months have witnessed a number of athletes, especially in the US, backing the #BlackLivesMatter movement. Machel Cedenio, an athlete from Trinidad & Tobago who has made Florida his training base, is no different. His Twitter posts, since the death of George Floyd, offers a prism into his mind and he is forthcoming with his views.

"I understand why people feel so strongly about racial inequality in America," Cedenio tells this daily. "I cheer them on for finally taking the quality of their lives and living conditions with such seriousness."

The 24-year-old, part of T&T's 4x400 relay team that won gold at the World Championship in 2017, has also played a small part in helping the local community back home during the pandemic. He discontinued his training sessions and took to supplying groceries. "For me, the last three months was sobering," he says. "I was able to spend a lot of time doing things that I would not normally have the time for, such as spending time, doing chores in the backyard.

"This was the first time that something like this has happened in my lifetime and I know that because a lot of people could not go to work. Their economic situation changed overnight, so I wanted to do my part to assist in some way with the help of my coach and my parents."

He is also thankful that T&T's cases haven't exploded (they have had only 117 confirmed cases). "In Trinidad and Tobago, we were fortunate because of quick action by the government and effective quarantine rules."

It's in sharp contrast to Florida, the state where Cedenio is based (85,926 confirmed cases). Even though they haven't yet managed to flatten the curve, the athlete says the state never truly shut down. "Florida is one of those states that never completely shut down. Although the gyms were closed, you were to exercise outside for short periods but not in large groups. Even though the training was not as intense, we were still able to get some work done."

With the world of athletes looking to get competition underway sometime in the next 3-4 months, the debate has shifted to whether it will be safe to compete without a vaccine in mass production. The 2012 Olympic bronze medallist (he was in the squad but didn't run) says he would be willing to compromise. "I would exercise caution but I am willing to compromise and compete before a vaccine is available."

After the conversation shifts to next year's rearranged Olympics, the 400m specialist turns philosophical when talking about his goals. "Personally, I am disappointed that the Olympics was postponed. But I do understand that it is impossible to hold an event of that scale in this atmosphere. As far as 2021 is concernd, once there is life, there is always hope so we (the 4x400 relay squad) are all hoping to achieve a medal at the Olympics next year."

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
ZILLA PANCHAYAT, BELLARY.
Office of Executive Engineer, P.R.E. Division, Bellary

No.:EE/PRED/BLY/AE-1/DMF/TDR/2020-21/226 Dated: 16-06-2020

Short term Tender Notification
(Through E-portal only)

On behalf of Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka tenders are invited from the eligible contractors who have enrolled in Panchayath Raj Engineering Department for 02 works comprising of approved building work under D.M.F grant through e-procurement portal. Contractors are required to submit the tender before 26-06-2020 at 4.00 PM by uploading the relevant documents through e-procurement portal website **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in / e-portal/index seam** by downloading the formats for submission of tenders from 17-06-2020 to 26-06-2020 at 4.00 PM. Tenders will be opened through e-proc portal on 29-06-2020 at 3.30 PM and financial bid will be opened after the approval of technical bid. Any changes in the notification will be published in e-procurement website only. Accepting/rejection of tenders without assigning reason is reserved. Any details can be obtained in person at the office or through telephone No. 08392-242173.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
P.R.E. Division, Bellary

CENTRAL ORGANISATION FOR RAILWAY ELECTRIFICATION
1, Nawab Yusuf Road, Civil Lines, Prayagraj-211001

No.CORES21055597 Dtd.: 19.06.2020

Corrigendum

Corrigendum to E-tender notice No.: CORES21055597 due to be opened on **16.07.2020** for supply of 21.6/30.24 MVA, 132/27 KV, 50HZ Traction Power Transformer. The **EMD** may be read as follows:

Sr.No.	FROM	TO
1	₹ 52,15,600/-	₹ 50,00,000/-

Note:- For details of delivery please refer tender documents on ireps.
(All other terms and conditions of the tender notice are remain unchanged).

Principal Chief Materials Manager
PR/416/2020 (FA) CORE/Prayagraj

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No.IFAB/MD/Admin/Tender-FS/28/2020-21 DATE: 09.06.2020

Re- TENDER FOR RENTAL OCCUPATION OF FLORAL STUDIO, EXHIBITION HALL AND SHOP

Two bid system online tenders are invited through Karnataka e-procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**, by IFAB Ltd., from the interested parties. The tender details and documents can be downloaded from **09.06.2020** and bids can be uploaded up to last date: **09.07.2020** through e-procurement portal only.

Sd/-
Managing Director
DIPR/DDU/2020-21

KONKAN RAILWAY CORPORATION LTD
(A Government of India Undertaking)

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

Chief Engineer, Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd., invites Open Tender in Single bid system through E-Tendering on IREPS portal from eligible contractors for the following work. **Name of Work :** Repairs of ballastless track under traffic in Natuwadi, Karbude, Tike, Berdewadi tunnels in Ratnagiri region and Barcem, Karwar tunnels in Karwar region of Konkan Railway. **Tender Notice No.:** KR-W-01-58-2020-04. **Estimated Cost :** Rs. 129.40 Lakhs (Excluding GST). **Closing Date/Time :** 13.07.2020 up to 15:00 hrs for submission of online Offers/Bids. **Completion Period:** Eight Months including monsoon . Manual offers shall not be accepted. Please visit **www.ireps.gov.in** website for details / participation. Corrigendum / addendum will be hosted in this website only.

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NEW POWER HOUSE, INDUSTRIAL AREA, JODHPUR-342003
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E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE

E-Procurement Tenders are invited for supply of 33/11 KV 5.00 MVA Power Transformers Under **TN-1596 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00049)**, 33/11 KV 8.00 MVA Power Transformers Under **TN-1597 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00051)**, TP MCCB 110 Amp and 160 Amp Under **TN-1598 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00060)**, 5-30 Amp. Single phase Static Energy Meters with Meter Box having DLMS Protocol with additional LPRF port Under **TN-1599 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00064)**, 11 KV, 3CX185 sq. mm HT Power Cable Under **TN-1601 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00069)**,12 KV outdoor VCB Kiosks Under **TN-1603 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00071)**, M.S Rod Earthing Sets with Clamps and GI Wire Under **TN-1606 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00050)**, ACSR Dog Conductor Under**TN-1607 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00073)**, "B&S" and "T&C" Type Hardware for 11 KV, 45 KN Disc Insulator Under **TN-1612 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00074)**, Hot Dip Galvanized steel stay sets for size 20X2400 mm and 16X1800 mm Under **TN-1615 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00075)**, 33/11 KV Sub-Station Structure (Urban) Under **TN-1616 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00052)**, Line DP set for 33 KV Line and 11 KV line Under **TN-1617 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00053)**, Lattice Structure for 33 KV Single Circuit 36 feet and Double Circuit 42 feet Under **TN-1618 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00048)**, LT Cross Arm i)600 mm with Clamps ii) 1200 mm with clamp iii) 600 mm with top hamper and clamp Under **TN-1619 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00054)**, 25 KVA EEL-2, Rating out door type completely self-protected single phase Aluminium wound Distribution Transformers with inbuilt Circuit Breaker Under **TN-1622 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00058)**, 10 KVA EEL-2, Rating out door type completely self-protected single phase Aluminium wound Distribution Transformers with inbuilt Circuit Breaker Under **TN-1624 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00055)**, Insulated Rubber Hand Gloves Under **TN-1626 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00057)**, Insulated Plier, Phase Tester and Insulated Screw Driver Under **TN-1627 (UBN JVV2021GSOB00056)**, Torch Chargeable LED Type Under **TN-1629 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00070)**, Safety Helmet Mounted with Electronic Induction Tester Under **TN-1630 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00067)**, Earthing Chain under **TN-1631 (UBN JVV2021GLLB00065)**, Rain Coat Under **TN-1632 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00063)**, Non-Contact Type AC Voltage Detectors Under **TN-1635 (UBN JVV2021GSOB00061)**, Rate Contract for T.C. Fuse Wire of Various Rating (in Amp) Under **TN-1636 (UBN JVV2021GLRC00066)**, First aid box Under **TN-1639 (UBN JVV2021GLOB00059)**, Spanner Set Double Ended open Type and ring type Under **TN-1641 (UBN JVV2021GLLB00068)**.

Details regarding Quantity, Tender cost, Bid Security, Schedule date of tender opening for aforesaid tenders are available on our website at **www.jdvvnl.com** and also at **http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in**

Raj.Samwad/C/20/1230 SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER (MM&C)
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GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
MINOR IRRIGATION &GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
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No.EE /MI&GWDDD/BGM/TND/AE-1/2020-21/3271 Date:27-05-2020

TIME EXTENSION SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (KW-4)

Tender Submission dates are extended due to Techni cal reason for the works under Short Term tender invited by Executive Engineer, M.I & GWDD Division, Belagavi. Vide Tender Notice EE/MI&GWDDD/ BGM/ TND/AE-1/2020-21/2930, Date:02-05-2020 (For 02 Works only)

1.Date of Pre-tender meeting : 08-07-2020 (In the office of the Executive Engineer, M.I & GWDD Division, Belagavi at 11.00 AM (For KW-4 works), 2.Tender Quarries up to 09-07-2020, 3.Tender Receipt on or before 10-07-2020 upto 16.00 hrs. 4.Technical Bid will be opened on 13-07-2020 (If possible)

All other conditions of the tender remain unchanged

Sd/-Executive Engineer,
M.I & GWDD Division, Belagavi.
DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-210/MCA/2020-21

Government of Karnataka
Public works Port and Inland Water Transport Department, Hassan

No.EE/PWD/HSN/JE-4/2020-21/ DATED: 18.06.2020.

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION NO: 03 /2020-21, Dated: 18.06.2020

Tender is invited by the Public Works Ports and Inland Water Transport Department on behalf of the Governor of Karnataka, as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999 and Rules 2000, Standard Tender Document KW-1, KW-3, & KW-4 from the eligible registered contractors of Karnataka PWD and the contractors belonging to Scheduled castes shall be domicile of the State of Karnataka PWD for more than 10 years through E-procurement pertains to **10 Works in Hassan District. In these tenders 02 tender is reserved for SC Contractors.** The minimum tender amount is Rs.10.00 lakhs and maximum tender amount Rs.200.00 lakhs under PWD Hassan Division jurisdiction. Last date of Receipt of tender is **06.07.2020-16.00 Hours**. For more details visit http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in. or contact this office through Phone No. 08172-268437 or in person during office hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
PWD, Hassan Division, Hassan.
DIPR/HSN/MCA/2020-21/93

HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA, BENGALURU.

No: CJR-1/2020 Date: 19.06.2020

INTIMATION

In coninuation of this office Notification No. CJR 1/2020, dated 25th Februrary 2020, for direct recruitment to 53 posts of Civil Judges, the candidates, who were prevented form submitting online applications for the post of Civil Judges and from paying the fee through online or through Bank challan due to lockdown, are permitted to submit/register their online applications and pay the fee as per following schedule. **(1)** The date to register/submit Online application from **20.06.2020 to 24.06.2020 (11.59 PM). (2)** The date for payment of fee through online: till **26.06.2020. (3)** The date for payment of fee through Challan: till **26.06.2020** closing of Banks working hours. All other conditions prescribed in the Notification No. CJR 1/2020 dated: **25.02.2020 will remain unchanged.**

Sd/- (RAJENDRA BADAMIKAR)
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No. /ENG/CR-40/2020-21 Dated:- 18-06-2020.

TENDER NOTIFICATION

1) Name of work : DMA/2019-20/OW/WORK_INDENT99956/CALL-2, DMA/2019-20/OW/WORK_INDENT98185/CALL-3, DMA/2019-20/EL/WORK_INDENT98181/CALL-3, DMA/2019-20/OW/WORK_INDENT98677, DMA/2020-21/OW/WORK_INDENT102533/CALL-2, DMA/2020-21/OW/WORK_INDENT103290 2) Estimate Cost : As per e-portal, 3) Contractor Qualification: As per e-portal, 4) Tender Schedule and EMD : As per e-portal, 5) Last Date for tender submission 29-06-2020 upto 04.00 PM, 6) Tender opening : 30-06-2020 at 04.30 PM, 7) For Further information contact : Chief officer Town Municipal Council, Humnabad Email : itstaff_ulb_humnabad@yahoo.com 08483-271722, 8) Website **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

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After reopening in some locations, Apple is now planning to temporarily close some retail stores in four US states in view of growing cases of Covid-19. Six stores in Arizona, two in North Carolina, one in South Carolina and two in Florida will be shut down, media reports say.

Asia & Africa to see 'ring of fire' solar eclipse

The rare event occurs every year or two; the Sun is expected to form a perfect halo around the Moon in Uttarakhand at 12:10 pm

CELESTIAL ALIGNMENT

PARIS: Skywatchers along a narrow band from west Africa to the Arabian Peninsula, India and southern China will witness on Sunday the most dramatic "ring of fire" solar eclipse to shadow the Earth in years.

Annular eclipses occur when the Moon — passing between Earth and the Sun — is not quite close enough to our planet to completely obscure sunlight, leaving a thin ring of the solar disc visible.

They occur every year or two, and can only been seen from a narrow pathway across the planet. Remarkably, the eclipse on Sunday arrives on the northern hemisphere's longest day of the year — the summer solstice — when Earth's north pole is tilted most directly towards the Sun.

The "ring of fire" will first be seen in northeastern Republic of Congo at 04:56 GMT (10:26 am IST) just a few minutes after sunrise.

This is the point of maximum duration, with the blackout lasting 1 minute and 22 seconds.

Arcing eastward across Asia and Africa, it will reach "maximum eclipse" — with a perfect solar halo around the Moon — over the northern Indian state of Uttarakhand, near the Sino-Indian border at 6:40 GMT (12:10 pm IST).

More spectacular, but less long-lived: the exact alignment of the Earth, Moon and Sun will be visible for only 38 seconds.

"The annular eclipse is visible from about two per cent of Earth surface," Florent Delefie, an astronomer and the Paris Observatory, told *AFP*. "It's a bit like switching from a 500-watt to a 30-watt light bulb," he added.

"It's a cold light, and you don't see as well."

Animals can get spooked — birds will sometimes go back to sleep, and cows will return to the barn.

The full eclipse will be visible somewhere on Earth during just under four hours, and one of the last places to see a partially hidden Sun is Taiwan before its path heads out into the Pacific.

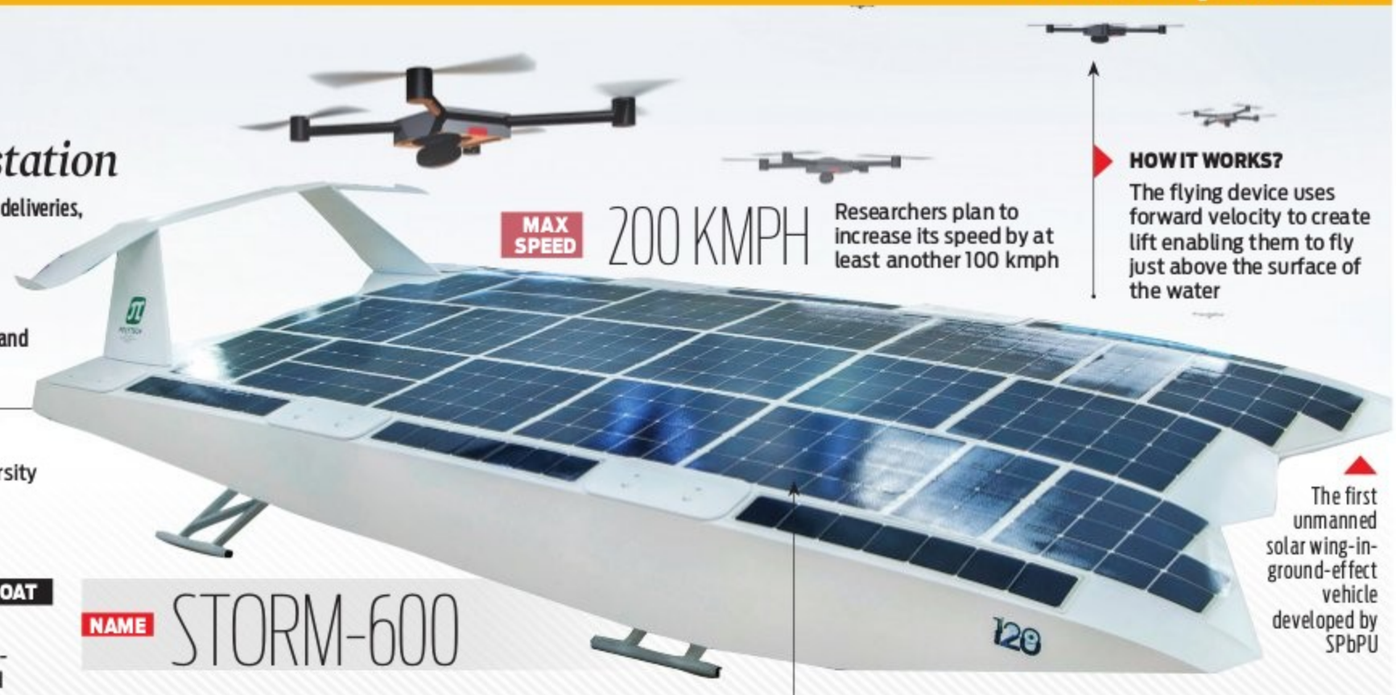
People hundreds of kilometres on either side of the centreline across 14 countries will also see light drain from the day, but not the "ring of fire".

There will be a second solar eclipse in 2020 on December 14 over South America. Because the Moon will be a bit closer to Earth, it will block on the Sun's light entirely. It will take less than 100 minutes for the path of this eclipse to move across the continent.

EXFILE

Flying fuelling station

As the world turns towards drones for deliveries, there is one crucial problem: where are these flying devices going to recharge? However, Russian researchers have developed a solar-powered boat for recharging air and underwater drones. We take a look



AI VEHICLE

Engineers from Peter the Great St.Petersburg Polytechnic University (SPbPU) have invented the wing-in-ground-effect vehicle supported by an AI system

MIX BETWEEN A PLANE AND A BOAT

The boat is part of a family of vehicles called a wing-in-ground-effect vehicle. These are a hybrid between an airplane and a boat, which have short wings that dip into the water, creating a semi-enclosed cavity between the bottom of the plane and the water's surface

AIM

Researchers plan to use these wing-in-ground-effect vehicle as a mobile platform for recharging air and underwater drones

NAME STORM-600

MAX SPEED 200 KMPH

Researchers plan to increase its speed by at least another 100 kmph

HOW IT WORKS?

The flying device uses forward velocity to create lift enabling them to fly just above the surface of the water

The first unmanned solar wing-in-ground-effect vehicle developed by SPbPU

OTHER APPLICATION

The wing-in-ground-effect vehicle can also be used to patrol water areas, conducting search and rescue operations and cargo delivery

TESTING THIS SUMMER

The test of the final prototype is expected to take place this summer. The "flying boat" will be tested on the Neva river in St. Petersburg for more than a week

SOLAR POWERED

Solar batteries have been installed on the hull and wings of the vehicle. It has special storage devices which can distribute the energy, allowing the boat to move continuously along the water area

LIDAR TECH

Researchers also installed a laser radar (LIDAR) on the boat. The radio radar was too added to increase the range of the vision system to 48 km

WHAT IS LIDAR?

LIDAR is a method for measuring distances by illuminating the target with laser light and measuring reflection with a sensor. Differences in laser return times and wavelengths are used to make 3D representations of the target

The device literally floats above the water. There is a screen effect when an aerodynamic cushion is created under the wings of an aircraft. Our wing-in-ground-effect vehicle has long wings, thus it moves along the air cushion itself. In physics lessons at school, the experiment is demonstrated using a tennis ball that hangs in the stream of the air from a vacuum cleaner: it doesn't fall down and doesn't fly up. The same principle is used here

–Alexei Maistro, SPbPU

Babies with Covid-19 may only have mild illness

LOW RISK GROUP

WASHINGTON: Researchers, including an Indian-origin scientist, have shown that infants under 90 days of age who tested positive for Covid-19 tend to be well, with little or no respiratory symptoms.

According to the study, published in *The Journal of Pediatrics*, fever was often found to be the primary or only symptom in new born babies infected with coronavirus.

"While there is limited data on infants with Covid-19 from the US, our findings suggest that these babies mostly have mild illness and may not be at higher risk of severe disease as initially reported from China," said study lead author Leena Mithal from the Northwestern University in the US.

"Most of the infants in our study had fever, which suggests that for young infants being evaluated because of fever, Covid-19 may be an important cause, particularly in a region with widespread community activity," Mithal said.

However, she added that evaluation for bacterial infection in young infants with fever remains important.

In the study, the researchers assessed 18 infants, none with a significant medical history.

Of the 50 per cent of these infants who were admitted to the hospital's general inpatient service, none required oxygen, respiratory support, or intensive care.

According to the study, indications for admission were mainly clinical observation, monitoring of feeding tolerance, and ruling-out bacterial infection with empiric intravenous antibiotics in infants younger than 60 days.

Of the infants admitted to the hospital, six out of nine had gastrointestinal (GI) symptoms such as poor feeding, vomiting, and diarrhea.

The scientists said upper respiratory tract symptoms of cough and congestion preceded onset of GI symptoms.

They said young infants also had notably high viral loads in their nasal specimens despite mild clinical illness.

"It is unclear whether young infants with fever and a positive test for SARS-CoV-2 require hospital admission," Mithal said.

JUMBO MOMENT

A herd of elephants cool off in a pond in Hathi Gaon on the outskirts of Jaipur on Saturday | PTI

Egypt knocks UN's door

FIGHT FOR THE NILE

Egypt appealed on Friday for the United Nations Security Council to intervene in a deepening dispute with Ethiopia over its gigantic Nile dam that Cairo fears would cut its vital water share. The move comes as tensions run high after multiple rounds of talks over the years between Egypt, Ethiopia and Sudan failed to produce a deal over the filling and operation of the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam. Addis Ababa has declared plans to start filling the dam next month, regardless of whether a deal was reached.Egypt views the hydro-electric barrage as an existential threat that could severely reduce its water supply.

Apple rejects FB Gaming

5TH ATTEMPT

Apple has once again rejected Facebook Gaming app on the iOS App Store, as it is a direct threat to the livestream gaming service Apple Arcade. According to the *New York Times*, this is the fifth time Apple has decided to reject the Facebook Gaming app. Facebook is not surprised by Apple's decision, as they have been trying to launch the Facebook Gaming app on the App Store since February. Apple claims that the App Store rules do not allow third-party apps to distribute games as a separate platform. The tech giant doesn't want its own App Store and Apple Arcade business to be affected by allowing Facebook Gaming on its App Store.

NASA, ESA, JAXA to find Covid impact

SATELLITE DATA

WASHINGTON: NASA has partnered with European Space Agency (ESA) and Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) to unveil a global view of Covid-19 impacts.

This dashboard of satellite data showing the impacts of the global response to the coronavirus pandemic on the environment and socioeconomic activity will be released on June 25, NASA said.

The "Covid-19 Earth Observation Dashboard" is a triagency collaboration that brings together current and historical satellite observations with analytical tools to create a user-friendly information resource for the public and researchers, NASA said.

Through its Rapid Response and Novel Research in Earth Science initiative, NASA is providing funding for selected, rapid-turnaround projects that make innovative use of satellite data and other NASA resources to address the impacts of the pandemic.

Novartis ends clinical trial of HCQ for Covid

ANTIVIRAL DRUG

GENEVA: Swiss pharmaceuticals giant Novartis has decided to halt a clinical trial of hydroxychloroquine (HCQ) as a treatment for Covid-19, citing problems in recruiting enough patients for the study of the controversial drug.

"Novartis has made the decision to stop and discontinue its sponsored HCQ clinical trial for Covid-19,due to acute enrolment challenges that have made trial completion infeasible," the company said in a statement.

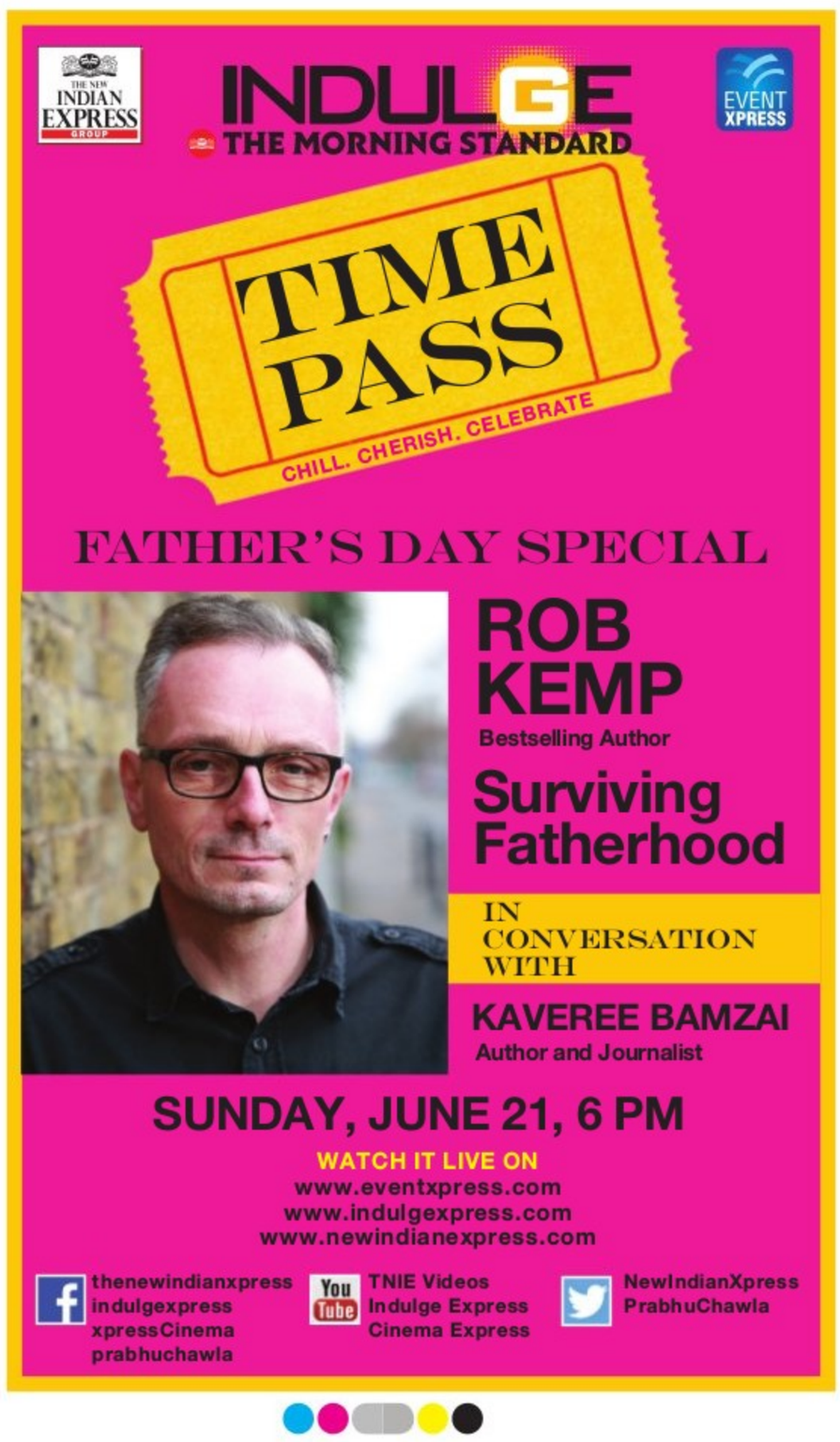
This problem "made it unlikely that the clinical team will be able to collect meaningful data in a reasonable timeframe," the statement added.

"No safety issues have been reported, and there are no conclusions on efficacy from the study."

Hydroxychloroquine and its related compound chloroquine have traditionally been used to treat malaria and with a known anti-viral potential was seen as a possible treatment in the early days of the pandemic. Despite recognised serious side effects, many prominent figures, including US President Donald Trump, touted it widely as a Covid-19 treatment at a time when there is no vaccine for the disease and other potentially effective drugs are only just beginning to be identified.

On Monday, the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) said the drugs HCQ and chloroquine are unlikely to be effective in treating the coronavirus.

Citing reports of heart complications, the FDA said the drugs' unproven benefits "do not outweigh the known and potential risks."

In April, Novartis said it would sponsor a Phase III clinical trial of around 440 patients in the US using hydroxychloroquine to treat patients hospitalised with Covid-19 in agreement with the FDA.

But earlier this month, the US authorities suspended its use and this week the World Health Organization (WHO) said it was suspending its trials of hydroxychloroquine because it showed no ability to reduce mortality rates.